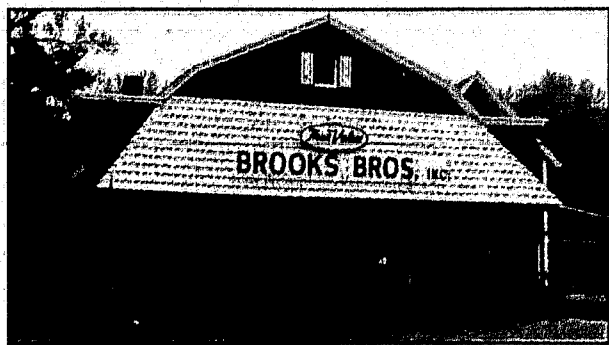




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Little library finds many ways to support itself

By ALISON ALOISIO

In the six years since re-opening in a new location (but in the same building), Hanover's little library has become a community center, according to volunteer Peg Susbury.

In addition to the obvious offerings - books and other media - it's a one-stop destination for a crafts corner shop, coffee, bottle redemption and even fishing worms.

The Gardner Roberts Memorial Library has enjoyed a rebirth since the days when it was tucked into a tiny lot, squeezed up against the house next door, on the Howard Pond Road.

The library, built in 1894, was moved in 2007 to the Town Office property on Route 2.

Run by volunteers, the library is only open three days a week - but patrons and volunteers pack a lot of activity into those time slots.

Much of it relates to checking out books, of course, but there are also social and fundraising

events.

As former volunteer librarian Barbara Stearns Gross said at the 2007 library dedication, the atmosphere at the library as far back as the 1950s has always been more casual than the stereotypical silence.

"We didn't believe in being quiet in the library," she said.

That tradition continues today.

On Tuesday afternoons, for example, local women gather around the table in the center of the room for coffee, socializing and crafts work.

The crafts made there (and at home) are displayed in a corner and are sold to help pay library expenses.

The 'corner' was started last year after volunteers continued to get requests for them following sales at the annual Fall Festival fundraiser, Susbury said.

"It's been quite successful and we are able to make special orders of many items, for babies,

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COMMUNITY GATHERING PLACE - Pat Heffernan (left) and Catherine Seely chat at the table at the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library. (A. Aloisio)

Special Town Meeting Tuesday in Hanover

By ALISON ALOISIO

A special Town Meeting is scheduled at the Town House in Hanover for 5 p.m. Tuesday to vote on whether or not the town should provide winter maintenance on the South Shore Road.

Selectmen met this past Tuesday with about a dozen residents in attendance to discuss the issue.

Currently some property owners on the gravel road pay to have it plowed privately, at an annual collective cost of just under \$3,000.

Selectperson Dick Stratton said that some past estimates on costs for the town to take over plowing

turned out to be too high. (An inaccurate figure from those discussions was reported last week in an article in the Citizen.)

The board will have bids for the winter maintenance work in hand for Tuesday's meeting in order to have reasonable estimates, Stratton said.

Stratton also said if the town votes to take over maintenance, an adjustment currently used by the town's assessing agent to reflect the lack of winter maintenance will be revised so that the land value (not including the building) will increase by approximately 12 percent over the current valuation.

MDOT engineer talks speed limits, intersection sign

By ALISON ALOISIO

The speed limit on Route 2 in the Mayville area of Bethel dropped recently in response to an increase in business density over past years, according to a Maine Department of Transportation traffic engineer Gene Uhuad.

But for people concerned about one particular aspect of the traffic flow at the Route 2/Parkway intersection, he said MDOT has little more to offer.

Speed limit

The speed limit from the Androscoggin River Bridge, formerly 45 mph, is now 40.

"There are a lot of businesses there, and businesses generate traffic," Uhuad said last week.

He said the growth trend has taken place over a number of years, and the speed limit change reflects that, rather than any recent activity.

Uhuad added that "with things going the way they

are" in that area, the limit might eventually be lowered farther east, toward the Sunday River Road intersection.

But, he said, MDOT does not drop speed limits in anticipation of growth, because sometimes the plans don't materialize.

"We have to react to something that's already there," he said.

Intersection

Uhuad was also asked about concerns expressed by Bethel selectman Don Bennett at a recent meeting about the Route 2/Parkway intersection.

About a year ago, in response to concerns from Bennett, a traffic sign was placed next to the eastbound lane of Route 2 on the intersection side of the Route 2 overpass (see photo).

Bennett said he had previously observed that when an eastbound vehicle stopped in the intersection to turn left into Rite Aid, vehicles fol-

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Bethel's Brooks Brothers Inc. merges with Community Energy of Rumford

By ALISON ALOISIO

Long-time Bethel business Brooks Bros. Inc. has merged with Community Energy of Rumford.

"The only thing that's changing is Jack and I are retiring," said co-owner Jeri Brooks Greenwell Tuesday. "The staff remains the same, the name remains the same, the services and the contracts we have are the same."

Brooks Brothers, a three-generation family business on Main Street, is in the heat-

ing oil business and also sells a variety of hardware and household items.

Greenwell said she and her brother, Jack, signed papers for the merger Sept. 3. Community Energy is in the fuel, propane, solar, geothermal, heat pump and air conditioning business.

"We are thrilled," said Greenwell. "It's a marriage made in heaven. Community Energy is a family-owned business, with the same values."

She said some of the Brooks

Bros. crew "wants to get into the gas business," and this will give them that opportunity.

Jack Brooks said his grandfather, D. Grover Brooks, bought the business in 1918, when it was Brown's Hardware. He then went off to World War I, returning to operate the business in 1919.

In the 1950s Jack's father, Dana, and uncle, Don, took over. Jack and Jeri have operated it as co-owners since Don retired, Jack said.

Jack said he is just as happy

as Jeri with the new business arrangement.

"We're delighted," he said. Community Energy co-owner Roger Arsenault echoed the Brooks. "We think a lot of them and their employees," he said Tuesday. "We're really looking forward to being there. We're already doing some projects together."

Arsenault said the two companies combined will have 39 employees.

Arsenault's business partner in Community Energy is Lee Buotte.

School Board approves staff raises

By ALISON ALOISIO

The SAD 44 School Board Monday approved raises for most district staff members.

There will be 1.5 percent raises per year for the next three years for teachers, increases of 2 to 2.5 percent per year for secretaries and educational technicians, and 2 percent for the next year for all but one administrator, according to Supt. Dave Murphy.

Two percent raises for one-year contracts were approved for Adult Education Director Jean Waite, District Technology Coordinator Peter Kuzyk, TMS Principal Clark Rafford, Athletic Director Gail Wight, THS Dean of Students Charles Raymond and Transportation/Maintenance Supervisor Ron Deegan.

A 1 percent increase was approved for Telstar High School Principal Dan Hart, with 0 percent for last year (retroactive), Murphy said.

All the votes were unanimous except for a 10-3 vote on Hart, according to Murphy. Bethel directors Tim Carter and Carol Everett and Newry Director Deb Webster voted

in opposition, Murphy said.

He said Hart's contract for last year had been tabled last winter, and the board did not give him an increase.

The votes came following executive sessions by the board.

Health benefits will remain the same for all groups, Murphy said.

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Passenger rail proposals presented

By Peter McGuire, Sun Media Wire

Representatives from two passenger rail proposals looking to link Montreal to Boston through Western Maine say regular train service could start as early as next year.

Speaking at a meeting of the Androscoggin, Oxford and Coos Counties Corri-

dor Committee last week, George Schwanke and Bob Steele of Golden Eagle Railway Co. and Francois Rebello, an entrepreneur from Montreal, said their projects were ready to go as soon as a lease agreement could be reached with the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad, which owns the majority of the tracks through Western

Maine.

Rebello, a former politician, said he wanted to begin a night train that would link Montreal and Boston, with possible stops in Bethel and on the southern Maine coast.

An overnight train was attractive for tourists, who could fall asleep in one city and wake up in another, ready for a full

day of activities.

Aside from tourists, however, Rebello thought a night train could be a sell for entrepreneurs — compared to the high costs of airfare, rail travel might be a sell for people doing business across the U.S.-Canada border, he said.

His project had investors

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Letters

HELP SAVE A CANINE LIFE

To the Editor:

Do you love dogs? Are you interested in saving a life? Would you consider becoming a foster home to a homeless dog?

If you answered yes to the above questions, then we need your help! Heart of the Mountains is a non-profit animal shelter that is currently operating as a foster dog program while we develop our permanent shelter here in Bethel. In order to save homeless dogs while we are creating our shelter we need volunteers like you!

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Or e-mail: Contact@heartofthemountains.org for more information.

Thank you in advance for your support to save a life!

Amy Bottomley

Heart of the Mountains Animal Shelter

BLACK AND WHITE TRAIL UPDATE

To the Editor:

Black and White (Whitecap to Black Mountain) Trail Update.

Earlier this summer when the MLT sponsored its first official hike on the Black and White Trail, it was not clearly defined on part of Black Mountain. The previous year's logging operation had obliterated part of the old established trail. Now a pleasant trail through the woods starting just above the top end of the ski lift on the beginner's slope has been reestablished. Leon Akers and Fred Bailey receive our thanks for designing the trail route. Our thanks also go to an Outward Bound group, under the direction of Sean Harrington, who clipped brush and small trees to open up this trail under the guidance of Whitecap Stewards, Bob Duplessie and Leon Akers. Volunteers Mike Simoneau and Jen from Livermore were also a great help.

Now you may hike on a 6.5 mile wooded trail from the Whitecap parking lot on the East Andover Road to the Black Mountain parking lot, or in the reverse direction. Please remember that this trail does not traverse the open summit of Whitecap but passes through the woods on the south side of the summit.

We hope you will enjoy your hike.

Bob Iles

Whitecap Stewardship Committee
Mahoosuc Land Trust

BFD THANKS

To the Editor:

The Bethel Fire Department wishes to thank Swain Farm, Gibson Orchard, Lyon's Orchard, Gould Academy kitchen and Sudbury Inn kitchen for their donations to our Western Maine Fireman's Association supper/meeting on Sept. 9.

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.
Bethel Fire Dept. members

PTA THANKS

To the Editor:

The Telstar Middle School PTA would like to thank everyone who made our first movie night a success. Several area restaurants donated pizzas including Inman's Diner and Dairy Bar, Crossroads Diner, Mallard Mart and Pat's Pizzeria. Bethel Shop 'n Save donated a \$25.00 gift card, Viewer's Choice Video donated the movie and several parents who donated food items, drinks and volunteered their precious time.

We would also like to thank Ernie Waterhouse, Custodian, for helping with the clean-up and Mr. Rafford, Telstar Middle School Principal, for being at the school to help us out on a Friday night and for his continuing support of the TMS PTA efforts.

Finally, we would like to give a special thank you to all of the students who helped with the concession stand and the clean up afterwards.

If you would like to learn more about the TMS PTA and how you can become involved, please attend our next meeting which will be held on Monday, Oct. 7, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Margie Finley, Secretary
TMS PTA

BAKE A PIE FOR CONTEST

To the Editor:

It's pie time! Enter the Apple Pie Contest for Bethel Harvestfest 2013.

The Harvestfest will be held on Sat. Sept. 21. Enter your pie into the apple pie contest in one of three categories: Professional, Amateur, and Non-traditional. This is a wonderful event and yes, there will be prizes. After the judging the pies will be sold by the slice, with ice cream.

Please join us and bake a pie or two. For more information on entering and online registration visit www.bethelharvestfest.com or call Rene McGrew at 824-2808.

Rene McGrew

Bethel Harvestfest Committee

RAISES

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Test results

Murphy told the board that SAD 44 has received the most recent Maine High School Assessment testing results and the percentage of students who met or exceeded state standards in math and reading had increased by about 11 percent in each category.

He noted that past test results had been used in part to determine the "F" grade Telstar High School received last spring on a state-issued "report card."

Murphy said a more detailed presentation of test results will take place at a future board meeting.

Andover

Directors scheduled an additional board meeting for Sept. 30 in Woodstock in anticipation of a possible agreement being reached with Andover on its SAD 44 withdrawal process.

A sticking point has been the district's insistence that if Andover should vote to withdraw the town must tuition its older students back to SAD 44.

Andover wishes to have the option to send them elsewhere.

But Murphy said Monday that only minor items remain to be ironed out in the negotiations between the district and a committee representing Andover.

Enrollments
Murphy also reported on enrollment num-

bers for the start of the school year: 31 students at the Andover Elementary School; 241 at Crescent Park; 92 at Woodstock; 185 at Telstar Middle School and 250 at Telstar High School.

He said four THS seniors have enrolled in a special program at Central Maine Community College that allows them to earn high school and college credit at the same time.

Grant update

Murphy updated the board on the progress of an effort funded by a Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) grant.

The district was invited last spring to join a \$25 million, five-year ongoing federal/state grant program that focuses on school environment, educator evaluation, professional growth and data management.

Murphy estimates that by the end of next June SAD 44 will receive \$1 million.

The K-12 effort will be directed by a to-be-hired project director, and will also include such resources as teacher leaders/facilitators, technology support (including up to 20 iPads, video equipment and training), assessment, professional development, student and parent involvement/surveys, support from outside agencies and travel costs.

The program includes financial incentives for

school staff for meeting certain goals. The funding will also pay for substitute teachers to allow staff to observe each other's teaching methods.

Murphy said Monday that eight facilitators have been trained and they are working to develop student learning objectives in order to increase academic performance.

Training and support are provided by consultants and coaches from the state's Maine Schools for Excellence program.

On a workshop day Oct. 11 the facilitators will provide information to district teachers on next steps in developing student learning expectations.

At the administrative level, state coaches will work with principals to develop evaluation systems for teachers, while Murphy will learn how to evaluate the principals.

"It's going to be a learning year for everyone," said Murphy.

In other business directors approved Brandon Hagopian as a physical education/health teacher at TMS.

The board also approved an annual contract with the Bethel Family Health Center to provide a school physician, as well as two hours of presentations on health-related topics and a discount for school bus driver physicals. The cost of the entire package is \$500, Murphy said.

Celladore

'How do you live on such little money?'

I complained bitterly the first winter about the nuisance of taking off house shoes, lacing up boots every time I wanted to go to the barn or shop, to sprinkle over the ice for an incoming guest.

I even thought of being extravagant and buying a pair of low desert boots. B.B. noticed me going one day with my boot laces undone and dragging, reminded me that I could trip, slip on the ice, and asked me why on earth I didn't put on my boots properly. I explained.

A few nights later he came in with a pair of old L.L. Bean boots. The leather tops were completely worn out, but the rubber bottoms were still intact. "Try and see how these fit you," he said. "Why?" said I. "They are useless." "If they fit, I'll make you a pair of stags." "And what are stags?" said I. "Watch and you'll see."

He cut off the old leather tops, leaving about an inch of them above the rubber with one set of eyelets. He punched some holes around the rest of the leather, put in rawhide strings and was ready. I put on wool socks and the new shoes. He adjusted the laces so that the stag would stay on my feet and still I could step in and out of it easily. Thus I learned about stags; they became a treasured item in my footgear wardrobe.

One winter I found that I was out of sleeping garments and started to look in the Sears Roebuck catalog, then had an idea. To the box in the red cupboard where B.B.'s worn-out winter underwear was kept for mop rags and cleaning cloths and I came back with two suits. I stitched in wide seams in the pants tops, cut off the bottoms and put a patch on the knees. The tops I left alone.

I went upside to try on my new outfit; down to model it for B.B. "You look," he said, "like Pandit Nehru." Looks ignored, they were the most comfortable pajamas I've ever had. The tops and sleeves were extra long, plenty of space to curl up inside them. In fact, they quite spoiled me for some store garments that came as a gift, cut short and skimpy.

When you have an attic or a house that the modernists would call "filled with waste space," many trifles can be saved for reuse. We have a string bag, a drawer filled with big pieces of wrapping paper, manila envelopes, Christmas and birthday gift papers and ribbons.

In the attic is a large wooden box filled with pasteboard boxes of all sizes and shapes. With a little poking about, the right size can always be found. We even supply our friends. The source is continually being depleted and replenished. Shopping lists are written on the backs of Christmas cards, thus doing away with a gadget which I see in many houses. Here there is no need to dust such a thing or buy rolls of refills. The scads of unsolicited third-class mail that comes is used for scrap paper and casual letter-writing.

We think we can't live without the daily and Sunday "Times." It is a luxury that we indulge ourselves with. B.B. still subscribes to a few horse periodicals but other than that, though we spend no money for magazines, the study is always piled high. City friends send us subscriptions for Christmas. Local friends bring us almost all the others printed. We have a large recycling circle. There are always stacks between the bookshelves ready to go. Books can be gotten from the state library by only sending a postcard request. We are even fortunate enough to have Dottie B., who is a proprietor no less in the Boston Athenaeum who gives us a yearly card entitling us to borrow books.

Wallpaper is not a big item; we are not one of those families who wants to change a room every year. We choose patterns carefully; were it not for Abdul, the Siamese cat, we would probably never have to replace any. We look for quality in a paper, unobtrusive designs and colors. If you are willing to settle for a last year's pattern, it can often be purchased for half the original cost.

We have been lucky to get English paper, a devil to hang, but its thickness conceals defects in the walls and wear well. Rugs are expensive at any time. Nothing wears as long, feels as good to the feet, or improves with age as wool. Once again, careful shopping saves. Large and odd sizes are most often on sale. You can cut them apart with a razor blade, stick the pieces together with mending tape and make the exact size that you want.

Beware, ignore, and pass by anything in a spray can. Find out what is the base of insect repellent, window cleaners, on and on and just make your own. The best source of help to a newcomer is the acquired wisdom of folk who have lived in a locality for a long time.

And don't refer to them as natives or locals. Either word is a brief and concise description but its use inevitably sets up an uncomfortable atmosphere, an unconscious implication of inferiority despite the New England myth of every man a self-assured king.

My list of economical stratagems could go on and on and each item seem nothing but trivia. But of such threads is woven the fabric of a life in a predominately win-win world. If you scorn them, best live on in the win-lose marketplace.

Our Back Pages

10 years ago: The puppet theatre from Spain, Los Titiriteros de Binéfar presented "Dragocio" (The Princess and the Dragon) at Crescent Park School.

The Philbrook house on Mechanic Street was removed and the lot leveled.

Births: Catherine Elizabeth Graham, Olivia Leona Orlando, Annika Karine Anderson.

Deaths: John E. Howe, Marilyn K. Funk, Bradley Harrington, Milton H. Barker.

20 years ago: Classes got underway on Sept. 13 for Gould Academy's 197 students.

The Bethel United Methodist Church, celebrated the 100th anniversary of its "new" building with an Old Home Sunday.

Deaths: Arthur J. Farrington, Florence Sidelinger, Ray W. Learned, Dorothy P. Horne.

30 years ago: Judy Shedd, D. O. opened an office for the practice of family medicine in the home of the late Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Tibbetts on Main Street.

Bob and Jane Grover presented an interesting and informative demonstration on stained glass at a meeting of the United Methodist Women.

Birth: Adam Kendall Davis.

Deaths: Jennie K. Perkins, Mrs. Elsie Ann Smith.

40 years ago: Paul Farrar scored three touchdowns and Levi Brown two as Telstar defeated Mt. Abram 42-6 in their season opener.

The Village Restaurant reopened under the ownership of Mrs. William Lynch who had recently purchased it from Mr. and Mrs. Roland Cowell.

Births: Matthew Jay Cummings, Christina Jean Gammon, Douglass John Matangelo.

Deaths: Shirley B. Hobbs, Franklin L. Flanders, Mrs. Daisy E. Kimball.

50 years ago: Dr. James Hudson, veterinarian, moved his office and small animal hospital to his recently purchased home on the Locke Mills road.

The Bethel Players met at the home of Mrs. Margaret Bean to review plans for their production of "You Can't Take It With You."

Birth: Kelly Lee MacDonald.

Deaths: Mrs. Julia A. Turner, Albert Morton, Sr., Douglas W. Cushing.

60 years ago: Cool weather reached a low point and frosts were reported in some areas.

A group composed largely of Bethel musicians was performing Thursday evening on Rumford's new radio station WRUM.

Birth: Danny Roy Ken-nagh.

Death: Albert A. Laroche.

70 years ago: Miss Virginia Davis went to Auburn to teach at the Chamberlain School.

Thirty-five were present at the annual reunion of the descendants of Albert F. Brooks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Lowell.

80 years ago: Mrs. Vivian Higgins opened a beauty shop in the room adjoining the L. W. Ramsell Store.

Harold Chamberlain of Winthrop bought the stock of Dave's Fruit Store.

Deaths: Elmer B. Bartlett, Walter Irving Beckler, Ralph R. Perkins, Arthur L. Farrar.

90 years ago: Edward Lapham, Songo Pond, had a new Star car.

The home of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bean, Albany, was broken into and household goods moved out and carried away.

William L. Farwell's automobile was stolen from its usual parking place and was later found abandoned in Auburn.

Death: Roscoe Pierie.

100 years ago: Miss Nellie Whitmore of Bar Harbor joined the faculty at Gould Academy. Miss Whitmore taught in the Normal and English departments.

Miss Elsie Bartlett, East Bethel, was teaching in Hastings.

Death: Mrs. Anne Flint.

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LIBRARY

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The Gardner Roberts Memorial Library in Hanover.

(Bob Susbury)



The Crafts Corner.

(A. Aloisio)



Volunteer Mary Anne Dragoon holds a library card as she sits at the computer. The library's books are catalogued on computer, and the library offers four computers for public use. Wifi is also available - and accessible from the parking lot when the library is closed. Earlier this year the Libri Foundation provided a grant of more than \$1,000 in books, with emphasis on youth books. The library is open all winter, says volunteer Peg Susbury, "and whenever my car is parked outside on off hours, the door is open."

(A. Aloisio)

children, adults, home decorations and holiday-specific decorations, for example," she said.

On Wednesdays there's the "Dollar Book Bakery" bake sale, where everything is a dollar - except for the baked beans, which go for \$2 a pint. "We also offer coffee," said Susbury.

Then there are the more unusual fundraising activities.

People can drop off their redeemable bottles, which Bob Susbury returns and then gives the proceeds to the library.

"We get about \$40 a month for that," said Peg.

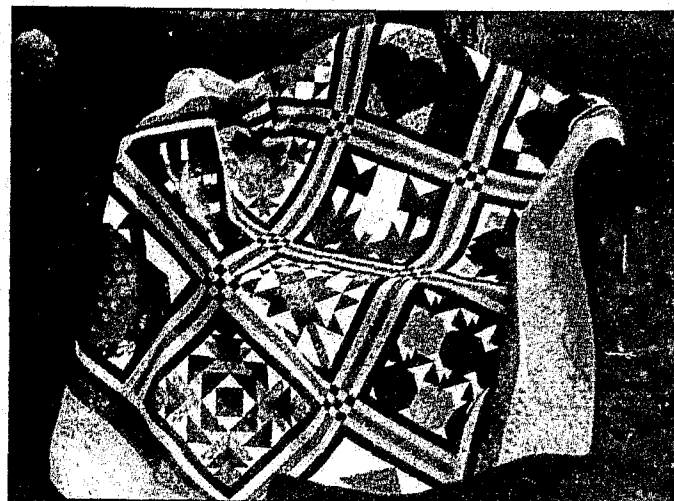
More recently - since the

closing of nearby Gordie Howe's Store - the library has begun offering refrigerated fishing worms for sale.

This year's annual Fall Festival is also coming right up, taking place Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with craft, book and bake sales, lunch, and raffles (including a quilt made by the Library Bees group).

Peg said the library volunteers and board are grateful for the support they receive.

"We may have a small corps of volunteers, but when we are in need, the community opens its heart and is at our doorstep," she said. "How lucky we are."



"A Quilt for All Seasons" that will be raffled Oct. 12 at the library's Fall Festival. The piece work was done by the Library Bees group, and the quilting by Kathy Thrall of the Quilt Shop at the Rostay in Bethel.

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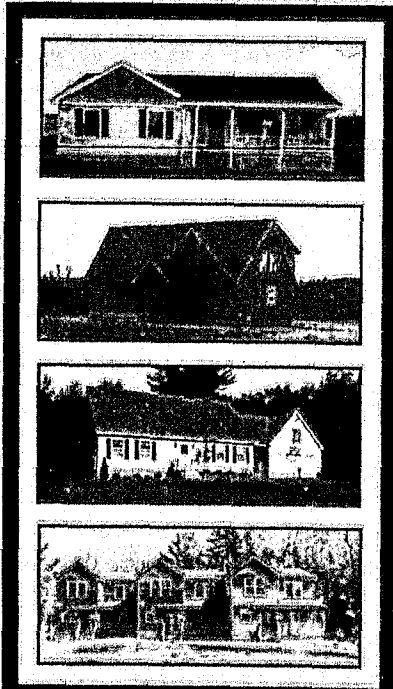
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MDOT

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lowing close behind - including tractor trailers - would pass on the right.

Such a move risks a collision if a westbound driver happens to turn left onto the Parkway at the same time, Bennett said.

At a recent selectmen's meeting, he said he does not think the sign that was put up is effective.

"We're going to be picking up bodies there someday," he said.

Bennett suggested MDOT use something more visible, like yellow cross-hatching on the breakdown lane.

But Uhuad said most drivers would not notice that because they would be looking ahead on the road, not down at the ground.

"The sign post is more in the line of their sight," he said.

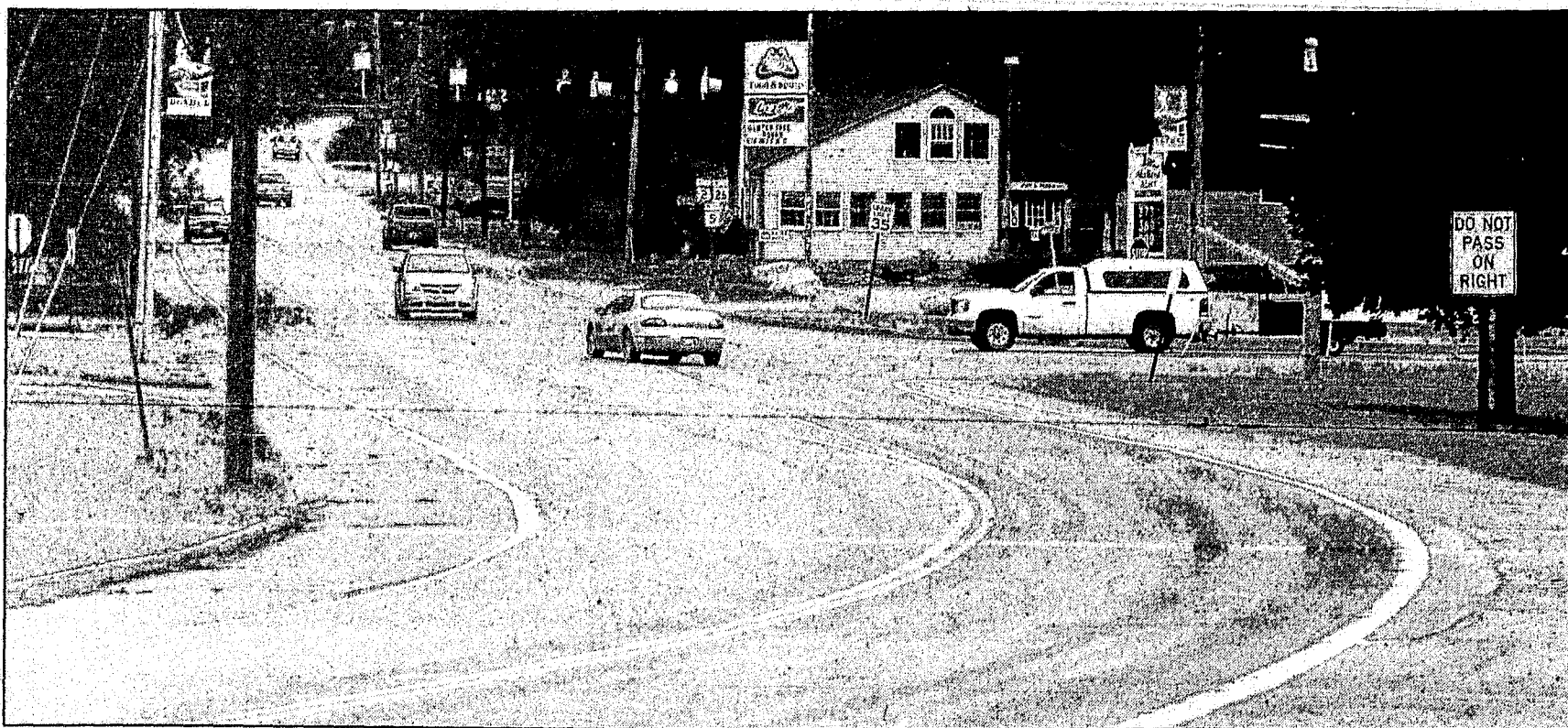
Safety over politeness Uhuad also described another dangerous practice that takes place at that, as well as other, intersections.

"People are waving at each other to go across," he said. "That's a big no-no."

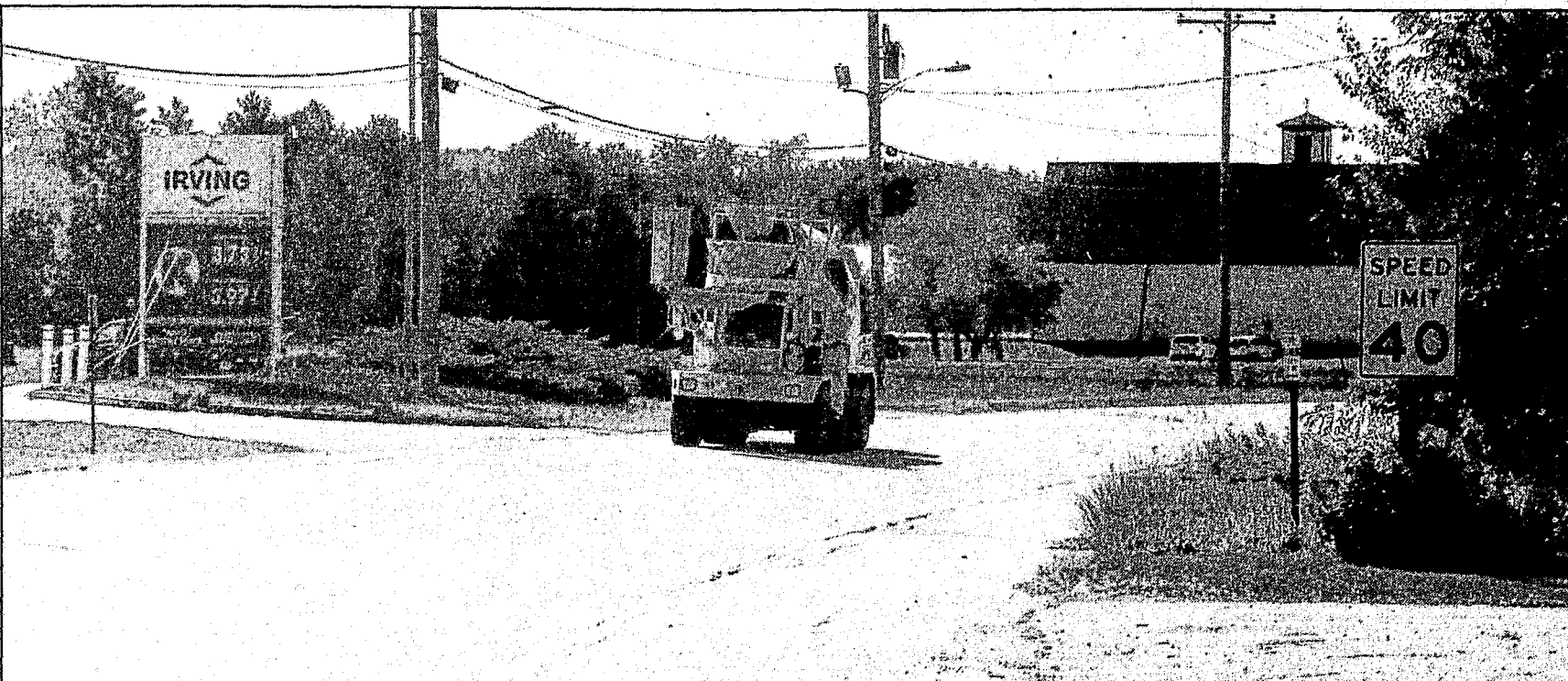
The problem, he said, is that the driver motioning to another may not be aware of other traffic coming up from behind or to the side. The "waver's" vehicle could block the line of sight of the other driver and result in an accident.

"People may feel they need to go to be polite," said Uhuad.

Don't do it, he said. Drivers should make their own assessment of the situation and not feel pressured by the other driver's attempt to be courteous.



The traffic sign at right warns eastbound motorists at the Route 2/Parkway intersection in Bethel not to pass on the right if a vehicle is waiting to turn left into Rite Aid, as is the case here. Selectman Don Bennett has expressed concern that if an oncoming vehicle turns left onto the Parkway at the same time, it risks being T-boned by a driver passing on the right. (A. Aloisio)



The speed limit sign westbound on Route 2 in Bethel, near the Irving Station. The limit was recently dropped from 45 to 40 mph. (A. Aloisio)

RAIL

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ready to jump in, and as soon as he could work with the Quebec government and the rail companies to secure access rights to the tracks, the business could take off.

The passenger rail business also needed to encourage local support for the project, from businesses, towns and others, Rebello suggested.

"We need to get the support from people who have something to gain from it," Rebello said.

"My target is next summer," Rebello said, but ad-

mitted that the ambitious timeline would need an agreement on use of the rail tracks by October.

Steele, the operations manager for Golden Eagle, said the company was planned to serve western and southern Maine with daytime passenger rail service that would also link Montreal and Boston.

The company has investors lined up and is waiting on agreements with Saint Lawrence & Atlantic to use the tracks before putting its project into action, Steele said.

"This all depends on right of way," he said. "They own the right of way, we have to lease from them."

Although the company hadn't worked out all the stops on its proposed line, one or two were already on the books, Steele said.

"Bethel will obviously be one, and Auburn, those are the logical stops," he said. "The others will be worked out based on demand and service area."

Robin Zinchuk, the Bethel Chamber of Commerce director and a strong supporter of passenger rail,

said the project would not be possible without engagement from the municipalities that made up the Androscoggin, Oxford and Coos Counties Corridor Committee.

"They are really seeing the land around the rail as a real economic development opportunity," Zinchuk said.

The committee still had a lot to do to convince the private sector to start look-

ing at the rail corridor as a place for investment, she admitted, but the interest that Golden Eagle and Rebello showed in starting up passenger rail was encouraging.

Tony Donovan, a developer and economic development consultant from Portland who has been a driving force behind the project said the estimate of passenger rail in Western Maine within a year didn't

surprise him.

"This has to do with what the federal government is doing under the Obama Administration, it has to do with the success of rail across the world and it has to do with demand," Donovan said.

"Everything the state of Maine has done for the past 20 years has brought us to today. I have no doubt that this is going to happen," he said.

The Way I See It

By Sharon Bouchard



I have to admit that all of my adult life I have not been a big fan of most of... no make that all of the standard household chores one must do. I have never been mistaken for a domestic Goddess.

I have known some women who love to iron or clean cupboards or even wash the woodwork. I just can't relate to these women. When I absolutely have to do such things I do complete the task, but to actually like doing them... come on!

I can tolerate some chores more than others, but the one I think I have always hated the most is the one I have to do quite frequently and that is the grocery shopping.

If it was as simple as just going to the supermarket and randomly filling the shopping cart with no concern for cost it might be better, but that's not the case for me or just about anyone else I know.

Before I head off to the supermarket I first have to figure out what meals to plan for the week. If my husband wasn't as finicky as Morris the cat it wouldn't be quite so bad, but Mr. I Never Eat Casseroles is a hard man to feed.

Once I figure out what I'm going to prepare for meals I have to take inventory to see what I'm out of or nearly so. That's usually just about everything. Then

I write a shopping list that I may or may not remember to take with me. Sometime I remember the list and I even remember the coupons I clipped, but not very often.

Once I'm at the supermarket I practice swearing like a sailor because prices on most items have increased yet again. It doesn't take long for me to realize that what I budgeted for groceries is pa-

The one chore I hate the most is grocery shopping

thetically short of what I need.

That's when I start playing grocery roulette where I put back what I figure I can do without so I can make it through the checkout with embarrassing myself. Then I spend time worrying that I really can't do without what I put back, but can't afford.

It would certainly help if there were more options for feeding only two people. For example, why is it not possible to buy only four hamburger or hot dog rolls? Hamburger rolls are in packages of eight or twelve and hot

dog rolls are the same or you can get a six-pack. Whoopie! That's still two too many.

I know you can freeze the extras, but they never taste that good assuming that they aren't soggy after they thaw out.

It's the same problem with bread. My husband and I can do okay with a regular loaf, but once in awhile we like to have a few slices of cinnamon raisin toast, but not a whole loaf worth. At close to \$4 a loaf throwing any away is not acceptable, so if the craving hits it will be cinnamon raisin toast for a week. That gets a little boring.

Meats are a problem for only two people as well. The smallest package of hamburger is too small and the next size up is too big. Yes, I know meat can be frozen, but hamburger, like the rolls, is just not as good when thawed.

I could go on and on griping about the size of roasts, the size of cans and oh Lord, the size of cereal boxes, but there is only so much room in the newspaper and I think I've made my point.

I'm sure I could cut my grocery bill in half if things were packaged smaller and priced less.

I guess I can't do anything about that. This will always be a chore I have and the way I see it I will gladly wash someone's woodwork if only they would do my grocery shopping.

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Bethel

By DONALD G. BENNETT
Building News



At the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum a new front stonewall and center stairway was completed this week making the connecting addition between the two buildings the Main Street entrance. At the BHS Robinson House on Broad Street work was started on the walls and frame for the Mary Valentine Wing. In Mayville, the new ski and snowboard sports store building has been roofed, sided, windowed and posted. For photos see Bethel Journals news Sept. 10.

New staff and faculty at Gould Academy
William "Billy" J. Ayotte, Maker In Residence; Katie B. Casey, Winter Term Academic Coordinator; James K. "Jimmy" Catlin '07, Admissions Office Intern; Cathy Fisher, Ski Coach; Heidi Godomsky, Women's Varsity Head Lacrosse Coach; Bruce L. Johnston, Ski Coach; Jeffrey R. Lathrop '09, Ski Coach Intern; Beth

A. McWilliams, CFO; Jeremy D. Nellis, Head Nordic Coach and Director of Trails; Jorie W. Ohlson '06, Nurse; Edison Quinotoa Cuellar, Music; Elissa A. Quinotoa, Spanish; Katharine B. Ruby, Financial Aid and College Counseling; Kristina Stevens, ASC Director; Tracyn L. Thayer, Winter Term Dormitory Head; Doug Webster, Night Watchman; Martha Leffel Yules '75, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving.

Gould graduates are noted by their graduation year.

Bethel Beyond Broad Street - Visiting Subdivisions
This weekend Ashton and I visited two Bethel subdivisions: the older of the two was Bird Hill Estates that has 18 lots and the other Hemlock Ridge off the North Road has 13 lots. Hemlock Ridge is relatively new; there, one new home is under construction and two other homes have been built. The home under construction has a grand driveway leading to the actual house. This development lies on a ridge as the name implies and according to the 1968 USGS map there



The Upper Andro Two Fly Contest and Northeast Drift Boat Championship are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21, in conjunction with Bethel's Annual Harvest Fest. Pictured here are the 2012 "Fish-n-Chicks" team of Mary McCarthy, Hope Eagleson and Kate Farnham angling for trout in the Androscoggin River near Gilead. For more on the event see the UAAA column. (Submitted photo)

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Sept. 3

At 7:23 p.m. a caller reported being startled by a car that passed her and a companion while they were cycling on the North Road in Bethel. Deputy Peter Casey was assigned.

Wednesday, Sept. 4

At 1:18 p.m. a caller on Paradise Road in Bethel reported erratic operation and provided a plate number. Deputy Chris Davis contacted the vehicle/business owner and he said he would address the issue.

At 4:47 p.m. on the Intervale Road in Bethel, while doing a routine property check, Deputy Andy Whitney found significant property damage at a residence. The incident is under investigation.

At 11:06 p.m. deputies received a theft complaint from the East Bethel Road in Bethel. The complainant was called back and two messages left.

Saturday, Sept. 7

At 2:29 p.m. a report was received of people going door to door on the Intervale Road in Bethel trying to sell meat. The subjects were only stopping at residences with people outside. Cpl. George Cayer located the van and occupants. The subjects were found to be legally registered in Maine for meat sales.

At 5:23 p.m. on Route 2 in Bethel Cpl. George Cayer stopped and summonsed Jesse Greer of Warren, Mich. for speeding 84 mph in a 55 mph zone.

At 11:34 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney witnessed fireworks being discharged after 10 p.m. in Greenwood. The incident was investigated and a potential offender was educated on the fireworks law.

Sunday, Sept. 8

At 5:46 p.m. Deputy George Cayer responded to the Airport Road in Andover for a reported theft.

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were no buildings on this ridge at that time.

The Bird Hill Estates is a subdivision located along Highland Avenue which leads south from the Birds Hill Road. Most of the lots have homes or buildings on them. Like many of the subdivisions outside of the Bethel village area the homes are situated in quite thickly wooded terrain which gives the home owners privacy and seclusion from view of anyone traveling the road. Also, like many of Bethel's subdivisions a number of the property's owners live outside of Bethel or are out of state.

At the Maine State Museum
Thursday Kathy and I enjoyed a walk around at

the Maine Museum in Augusta. This was connected with a trip to our dentist. It has been probably eight years since we had visited the museum. This time we were looking for whatever the museum had that was in some way connected to the Bethel area. There were four things: one, Bethel men in the special Maine at Gettysburg displays; two was the Trapp Corner signpost; three was a special video of the Mag-neto Telephone system at Bryant Pond and fourth was Stan Howe's contribution of the bathroom from his house on Broad Street, "Hastings Bathroom."

One of the displays consists of an operating water power system which employs a vertical drive shaft

connected to an iron water wheel positioned horizontally in a stream of water located under the mill foundation. This could have been the type of system of water wheel, belts and pulleys used in the old Eber Clough mill which stood next to the upper dam on Mill Brook. In 1880 Bethel's first corn canning factory took over the Clough mill and it could have used the same power setup used earlier by the mill.

A New York importing firm, Wolff and Reessing, operated Bethel's first corn canning business. In 1884, they had signed up 225 acres of sweet corn in early season commitments. The same company first came to Maine looking for a supply of sar-

dines. The Maine Museum has a canning industry display. Searching the cans and labels I didn't find any with the Wolff and Reessing label; but later I found that the company labeled their cans "Eagle Preserved Fish." One of their cans may have been in the display.

In one of the logging displays of old photos, a picture of Rumford Falls and logs gathered below the falls was on the wall. Overall though, western Maine does not get much play in the museum.

Col. Clark Edwards and James C. Bartlett have their photos in the Gettysburg display. However, Cyrus Wormell is missing. Mr. Wormell was a lieutenant from Bethel; he is listed in the state's Maine

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at Gettysburg publication. In the 1880s and 90s he was deputy sheriff in Bethel and his home was in the house now owned by Mike O'Donnell. Not a week went by when he wasn't in the news.

About 1980 Bethel had a "Made in Bethel" display in a large display case just inside the State House's south entrance. This was when Joe Brennan was governor. After 9/11 apparently this entrance was closed to the public and a security system is set up for visitors coming in the main entrance. I went to see if this sort of display was still around and was directed by the security people to go down the stairs one level and past the cafeteria. There was a display in about the same size case of made in Maine items. Trying to remember what Kathy and I had taken to put in the display over thirty years ago - all we could come up with was Maine Line Products and The Gem Shop plus brochures and some more large items - I know we had a whole load of stuff.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN

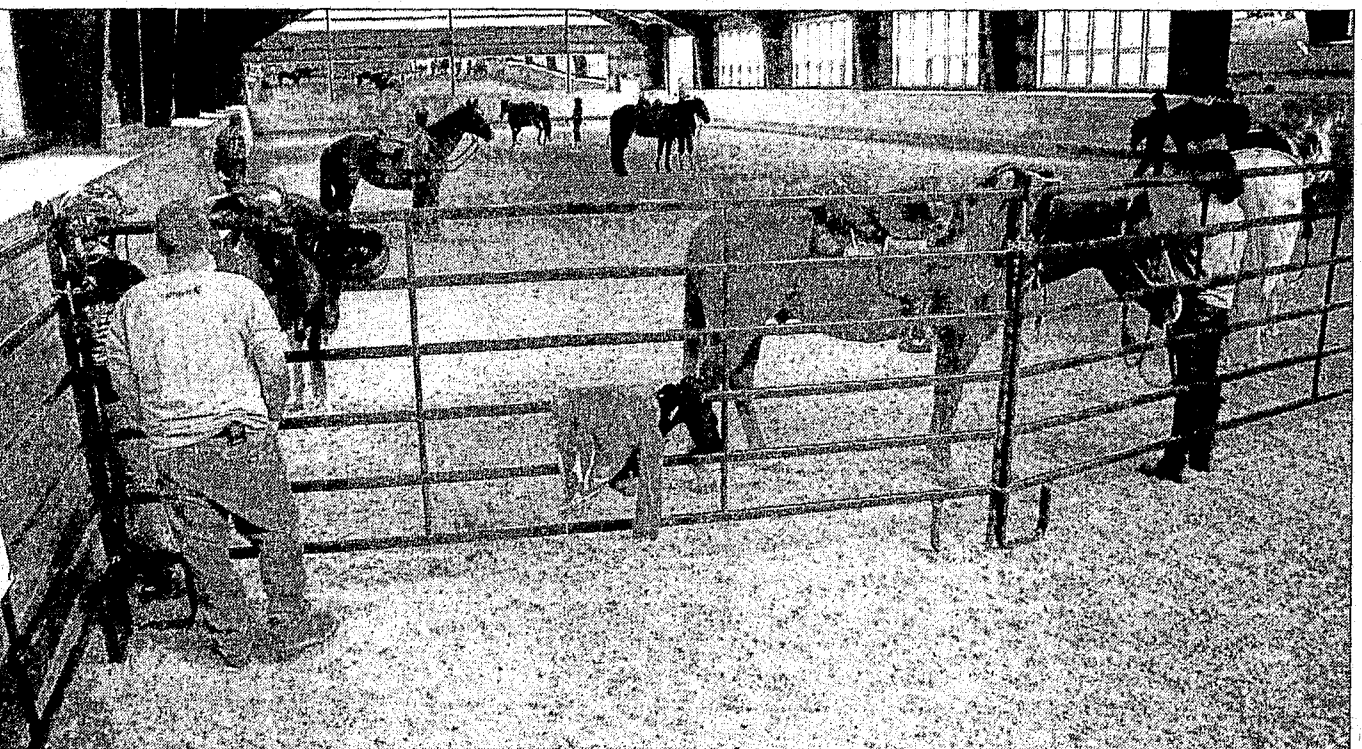


September is not just "back to school" month for kids. On Saturday, Sept. 21, there will be GED Test Prep Events at locations throughout Maine. The events will provide information on how to start and complete the GED. The closest location to Bethel is in Mexico, sponsored by Region 9 Adult Education. The phone number for information there is 364-2012. By 2018, 60 percent of all available jobs will require some college, and the GED test is a step toward getting a better job. The GED test is changing. If you've already started your tests, you need to complete them by December 2013, or start all over. More information is available at www.fame-maine.com.

The official start of fall is just a few days away. Leaves have begun to turn yellow and red on a few trees in the mountains and low-lying wet areas. The Farmer's Almanac predicts a brilliant fall foliage season, followed by a hard winter with lots of snow. ("Keep a shovel handy," they say.) As the hours shorten and the



Nationally-known equestrian Aaron Ralston put on a three-day clinic for 16 riders last weekend at a new riding arena owned by Dwight and Gloria Davis. Here, Ralston (back-to) instructs Tim Tobin of Andover on how to control his horse. The event was hosted by the Ellis River Riders Horse Club. (A. Aloisio)



Horses and riders await their turn for instruction by Aaron Ralston. (A. Aloisio)

days get cooler, the chlorophyll will dwindle in the leaves, and the leaves will turn red, yellow, and orange. When the days are bright and cool and the nights chilly, but not freezing, the brightest colors develop. Although autumn colors appear wherever there are deciduous trees, the most brilliant colors appear in only four or five regions of the world, including eastern Canada and New England. We are world-famous for our fall foliage. Our thick forests and distinct seasons provide

a perfect environment for the trees and the "leaf peepers" who come to enjoy them. If you're looking for the peak time to take a foliage tour, tune in to The Weather Channel. They do up-to-date foliage reports this time of year.

Watch for animals beside the roadways. I've seen large flocks of wild turkeys eating the grass seed and other plants along Route 26 between Bethel and Woodstock. Now that apples are ripe, deer are coming out of the woods to feed under the apple trees.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brown-nancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Boy, we sure had our first touch of Fall, yet by the time you read this, temps are supposed to be close to 90 again!

Last Thursday to Friday, Arlene and Wilma went to Bucksport to visit Arlene's oldest daughter Judy and her granddaughter Karen. They all had a great time together. Arlene says that she will stay home for a while, yet she may go cross country to visit. Think she needs encouragement to accept the offer.

Bettyann told me about a very exciting trip she, Sonny and a special friend

took last Saturday. It's called the Forest Lodge, the home of the author Louise Dickenson Rich. She wrote several books about life in the north woods of Maine. The first book's title is "We took to the Wood." This trip was sponsored by the Upton Historical Society and is well worth taking and thereby also helps preserve a Maine Landmark.

Thank you to all who came to East Bethel Church Sunday for a very wonderful Service, with Mr. Ross of Waterford exhorting. He has a Master of Divinity and is waiting for a call to a Pastorate. Hopefully he will not leave the Oxford Union Association geographically. He message was clear, his un-

derstanding of the OT and NT were profound and thought provoking.

The answers to the Trivia have me kind of confused. Have several answers, yet none match mine. Looks like more research to be done on my part.

Don't forget to call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

Have a great week.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



A night passenger train through this area? That is what a Quebec City resident recently

proposed to area town officials. Town Manager Kim Sparks said the man wants to see a passenger train run at night from Quebec to Portland with a stop at the Oxford Casino. A good idea. The only catch is he has not talked to the railroads about this. Cart before horse.

An update on the junkyard cleanups - the Grover site on Rowe Hill Road has seen some clean up but considerable work remains; the Town will return to court Oct. 28 regarding the Henley site on Snowmaking Pond Lane.

Our Greenwood Fire Department fish fries are going on the road. They were invited to put on a fish fry in Norway plus Mt. Abram has asked them to do one for their Columbus Day weekend festivities.

The Greenwood Selectmen took a ride over the Irish Neighborhood Road and concluded that while it needs work it is not nearly as bad as some other roads in Greenwood.

No one seems to know just why Greenwood City is called "city." However, last week's Greenwood Historical Society's presentation about this part of town revealed that in the early to mid-1800s there were a dozen structures along the Greenwood Road between the corner of the Patch Mountain Road (give or take a bit) and Route 219. These included homes, stables, businesses, and two taverns. With two taverns, the phrase "going to the City" could have meant one was going to partake of a few brews. The two taverns and the other buildings all burned in one day in the early 1860s. The buildings at Greenwood City today have been built since that time. Guess we now know why voters cling to having a second fire station at the



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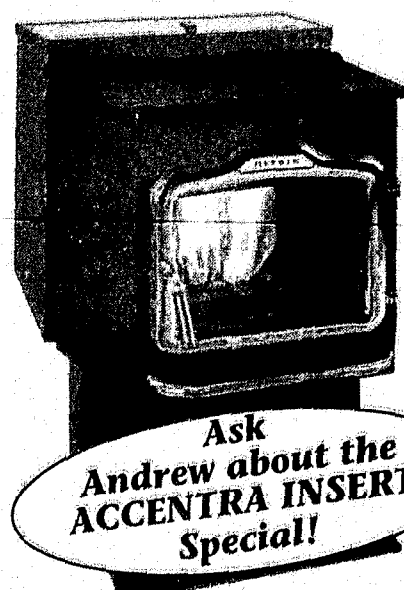
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City. Hazardous waste collection day will be Sept. 21, 9 to 11:30, at the SAD 44 bus garage, lower Main Street in Bethel. This is free for Greenwood residents. Good time to get rid of all the hazardous materials in garages and sheds. Note that latex paint is not accepted.

On that same day there will be a rabies clinic at the Norway Fire Station from 9 to 11. \$10 gets the pooch vaccinated. If you want to microchip him, that is available for \$25.

A heads up for the final Friday fish fry of the season. Our fire department will hold the last one at the Howe Hill Road fire station on Sept. 27 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Hard squash are in at farm stands and farmers' markets. Some, such as Swain's, already have wagon loads of both squash and pumpkins on display. Where did summer go so quickly?

The fall ritual of closing up camp has begun. Draining pipes, putting out mouse traps, cleaning the fridge, making sure items that mice like (both food and paper products) are taken home, and other such tasks are the work of closing camp. The fun is in toasting the last of the marshmallows over the final campfire while reminiscing about the season.

Each season has its rituals. Besides closing camp, fall rituals include picking apples, stacking firewood, lighting the first fire in the wood stove (if you haven't already), raking leaves, getting out the wool and fleece clothes, and on and on. Rituals help us mark change and transition. That is where we are at the moment as we transition from warm to cold weather.

Please send news to 3taichi6@gmail.com.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday evening for a 6 p.m. supper and installation

of officers. After a delicious turkey supper, the officers were installed by Jeannie Burnham and her staff. Master, Richard Felt; Overseer, Peggy Blake; Steward, Fred Breame; LAS, Ann Morton; Lecturer, Christine Hebert; Chaplain, Sharon Silver; Sec., Laura Hutchins; GK, Alice Hoyt; Pomona, Olive Risko; Flora, Pat Breame; Ex Comm, Olive Risko; Pianist, Laura Hutchins. Christine Hebert has made a quilt and donated it to the grange to sell chances on as a way to finish repairs needed. This will be drawn at the Hee-Haw show in November. Next meeting is Sept. 16.

Whitman Memorial Library program is today, Sept. 12, from 2 to 3 p.m. Lissa Merrill, director of Physical Therapy at Stephens Memorial Hospital will be guest speaker. Lissa will be presenting information on how to keep your balance and what the local community offers for programs. She will talk about a program well-known nationally, "Matter of Balance," as well as a program offered at no charge called "Staying on Your Feet." The local hospital offers a variety of programs for the public and one is for exercising called "Staying Fit." Lissa's program is aimed at those 60 and older, but all are welcome. There is no charge and light refreshments will be served.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet this Saturday, Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. at the museum. The meeting will be followed by a program, which will be a scavenger hunt at the museum.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service.

On Saturday, Sept. 1, we enjoyed a duck ride tour in Portland. We went around Portland with the tour guide pointing out different places in the water around the bay. Later we enjoyed food at the

Chowder House on the waterfront. Beth Hoover, Marybeth Hoover and TJ Ray also went.

Steve Hoover and Marybeth Hoover went to New York to visit. Steve to visit his mother and sister, and Marybeth to visit friends and attend her former roommate's wedding. They returned home on Saturday.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at the Masonic Hall for a meeting, delicious dinner and program by Hugh "Cubby" Swan. Next meeting is Oct. 3 at Rooster's Roadhouse for lunch out. Bethel Senior Citizens asked us to join them for a fall foliage tour, date: to be announced.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The past couple of nights have been cool, but no frost yet. Our tomatoes and cucumbers have pretty much done all they are going to do, so we have nothing to lose if there is a frost.

My brother, Steve McLain, has reminded me that I need to mention the upcoming Gilead Historical Society's annual meeting in the column again.

I have not seen any Monarch Butterflies this year. There are usually quite a few around the garden during August before they migrate to warmer climates.

Gilead Historical Society The GHS Pot Luck Lunch and Annual Meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, Sept. 21 at 1 p.m. This is open to the public. Just bring a food item to share for the lunch, and everyone is welcome to stay for the meeting whether they are members or not. Beverages will be provided.

We will be doing some planning for next year's Friends and Family Day in June. This will be the 10th Anniversary of the forma-

tion of the Gilead Historical Society. We have been busy these past ten years. The mission of the GHS is to preserve the lands and buildings of Gilead and so far we have saved two historic buildings and are working on preserving them. We still have a lot to do, and we are thankful for the support that we have received.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@hotmail.com.

Andover

By JANE C. RICH



The Town Office announces that due to a printing error, the tax bills which were mailed on Monday have an error in the due date. Bills list the due date as Oct. 1, when in fact the date is Oct. 31.

The Andover Historical Society will be holding an open house on Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The theme is farming and farm implements. If you have an item to share or one you can't identify, please bring it with you. The East Andover School House will also be open. Set up as it was originally used as a one room school house for East Andover children, it is a walk down memory lane. For further information call Trudy Akers at 392-3157.

Anyone interested in information on forming an Andover Active Community Environments (ACE) Team is urged to attend an informational meeting at The Andover Town Hall on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:30 pm. ACE Teams try to pull all parties in the community interested in the many ways to be physically active. Working with the national ACE model, the team will address improving health, economics, safety, social equity, and more by making the towns into Active Communities.

On Tuesday people gathered at the CEB for the monthly free luncheon put on by the People in Ac-

tion group. Bud Perry was the chef for the ham and potato meal. Thanks to all who contributed food and time for this community service project.

The Calvary Bible Church announces hours for the fall and winter schedule. Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. for interested persons from age 3 through adult. Worship is at 10:45 a.m.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Ida Davis who passed away last week. Services were held on Saturday with a gathering following at the CEB.

South Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Good morning to y'all - a frosty one at that - 34 degrees upon arising at 7

a.m. The birds were busy at the feeders and two deer were grazing in the back field, what a beautiful sight each morning and evening.

The birds are hitting the feeders once again now with the cooler weather approaching. Two nut-hatches have come back, the finches are plentiful, two families of Bluebirds, one family stays out on the clothesline and the other family likes the hedges.

Only a short column this week, been laying low for three days due to my sciatic acting up. So have been treating it with ice packs, hot packs and my tens unit along with Motrin two times a day with no relief. If not better by Sunday, I'll be making an appointment with my chiropractor for a couple of visits.

Anniversary wishes are going out to Jim and Charlene Hoyt.

Condolences to the family of Betty Jean Millett. Thoughts and prayers to each family member.

Due to the cooler nights Land L Country will NOT be playing at the Mexi-

co Rec Park on Thursday nights.

Dave's Sauna (Old Route 26, South Paris) is now under new management. New hours are Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 4 to 10 p.m. Coldest Beer in town, pizza (whole or by the slice), wine (by the bottle or glass). Pool table is always ready for a game or two.

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Condolences to the families of Betty Jean Millett. Our thoughts and prayers are with each family member.

The light is out at the new "Welcome to Woodstock" sign. I miss seeing the sign lit so I called Vern to ask if he could check it out to see why it was no longer lit up at night.

It's a beautiful sign and so deserves to be seen at night by those traveling through and by those of us living in the area.

Speaking of lights, it's good to see lights on at the Ole Casket Mill here in the valley. I can just see a great big smile on Pete's face knowing someone is taking care of the mill. They even mowed across the street and it looks so nice to see the bar way cleared.

The Crossstone's Restaurant is reopened after a kitchen fire a few weeks ago. Looking forward to dropping in for a hot cup of decaf coffee.

Mike didn't have any work for Yogi today so Leon needed him for a job in Bryant Pond for the day.

Well, that's all from the valley this week. Stay well.

Albany

By KATHY BENNETT



Greetings from Albany from the happy summer traveler who has finally taken root and has no immedi-

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School Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Soccer

Telstar 4, Oak Hill 1; Sept. 7 - The Rebel boys' soccer team got off to a great start Saturday by defeating the Raiders of Oak Hill. The Rebels had complete control of the ball for the first 13 minutes of the game, but could not put the ball in the net until Nick Conrad scored on a penalty kick. The Rebels continued to dominate possession of the ball and Conrad was able to put another goal on the board. Eric Lowell scored the third goal of the half after receiving a great pass from Maverick Griffin. The Rebels continued to pressure the Raiders during the second half. They scored for a fourth time when Hakan Chartier put it in the net after following a shot on goal by Avry Griffin. The Raiders finally broke up the shutout when they were able to break through the middle of the Rebel defense and score. "We looked really good, especially during the first half of the game. The guys have been working hard on ball skills, passing, moving, working together, and winning the ball. Their efforts paid off. I am proud of how we played, but we have a long season in front of us and the games will get tougher. This was an exciting game with many positive moments." - Coach John Eliot

High School Varsity Field Hockey

Telstar 1, Dirigo 0; Sept. 9 - Keeper Hali Barter made 11 saves for the Rebels to earn her first shut out of the season. Telstar's goal came in the second half when Becca Howard lifted the ball over a downed Dirigo keeper for the score. Mariha Morin and Sadie Ellsworth led many key plays down the field for the team. - Coach Gail Wight

High School JV Field Hockey

Dirigo 5, Telstar 0; Sept. 6 - The JV field hockey team opened their regular season with a loss to Dirigo. Midfielders Ellie Conrad, Savannah Vermette, and Wynter Morin worked hard to get the ball down the field. Morin did a great job getting back on defense. Good defensive clears were made by Ellis Coffin and Taylor Merrill. Blair Stevens and Meg Glover shared time in the cage, making a total of 19 saves. - Coach Lori Davis

Lisbon 4, Telstar 1; Sept. 9 - The JV field hockey team played against a very fast Lisbon team, losing the battle 4-1. The Rebels worked hard and had a lot of great breaks down the field, led by center forward Natasha Hart. Forward Savannah Laird

scored Telstar's only goal in the second half on a feed from Savannah Vermette. Excellent defensive work was given by Mackenzie Bragg, Becca Miller, and Kirstie Haas. - Coach Lori Davis

High School Football

Oak Hill 52, Telstar 29; Sept. 7 - The Telstar Rebels opened their 3rd varsity season at home on Saturday vs. the Oak Hill Raiders. Oak Hill, projected to be a conference powerhouse, had their way with the Rebels early in the game and got out to a quick 16-0 lead. The Rebels fought back and returned a blocked punt to the one yard line, where QB Jared Vermette would sneak the ball in for a touchdown on the ensuing play. This however was about the extent of the Rebels early success, and they would not get back on track until the second half. Oak Hill on the other hand piled on a large lead at the end of the first half and they didn't look back. Telstar kept fighting and had some success moving the ball in the 3rd and 4th quarters. RB Austin Ryerson ran for 2 scores and QB Jared Vermette scrambled for an 86 yard touchdown to cap the scoring. They both also ran for over 100 yards. Newcomer Mohammed Alzubaidi had success kicking and punting the football and Telstar's leading tackler was LB Tyler Cherkis. For photos go to www.bethelcitizen.com, Sports.

High School Golf

Dirigo 7, Telstar 0; Sept. 3 - The Telstar golf team lost to Dirigo on Tuesday. Reggie Westleigh and Kyle Marriot lost close matches as the Rebels opened their season at home. Telstar is 0-1 on the season. - Coach Jim Lunney

Wiscasset 7, Telstar 0; Sept. 6 - Telstar's golf team lost to a strong Wiscasset team on Friday. Reggie Westleigh and Hunter Williamson lost close matches and each improved from their first match scores. Josh Eliot also showed improvement in his scoring. Nancy Huston and John Walker lost to a strong pair of golfers. The team is now 0-2 on the season. - Coach Jim Lunney

Telstar 5 1/2, Spruce Mountain 1 1/2; Sept. 9 - Telstar's golf team won their first match of the season by defeating Spruce Mountain. Reggie Westleigh, Josh Eliot and Ryan Bennett won their matches and Kyle Marriot tied his match. Hunter Williamson lost a close match 1-down. Reggie Westleigh was the medalist with a 53. Telstar is now 1-2 on the season. - Coach Jim Lunney

THS runner sets sights on 2013

By NATHAN FOURNIER, Sun Media Wire

Josef Holt-Andrews is only feeling the pressure he's putting on himself this upcoming cross country season.

The Telstar senior has set some high goals this year, including a trip to the 2013 Foot Locker Nationals in San Diego, Calif. on Dec. 14. To qualify for the race, he must be among the top 50 runners from one of four regions around the country.

First, he would have to qualify for the regional final in Bronx, N.Y., on November 30, and finish in the top ten.

"I am feeling a lot of pressure I am putting on myself even if a lot of other people aren't putting pressure on me," Holt-Andrews said. "I have some expectations and I would be really disappointed if I didn't make nationals. I would like to win New England or get top two or three there. I have put some good goals for myself."

To reach that level, he said he needs to work on his speed and his closing time.

Telstar coach Dan Crooker is there to make sure he doesn't get too high or too low during the season.

"This will be the fourth year that I coached him and you just need to get know him as an athlete," Crooker said. "Make sure the timing is right on everything and he prepares properly. When an athlete is at the level he's at, it's really key to get caught up in the fitness, he has to manage that."

Crooker also cites communication as a key component in the relationship between a coach and a runner.

Holt-Andrews has inspired not only his teammates, but the school in his accomplishments so far.

"He's a leader, they all look

up to him on what he has achieved," Crooker said. "I have to remind everybody it just didn't happen and Josef didn't automatically (become) a really good athlete. He has really worked hard at it starting in his freshman year."

"Telstar and the Bethel area is small-town USA. What he's achieving is setting an example for other student-athletes in school. If you work hard you could do things that aren't just within the local arena."

Last cross country season, Holt-Andrews won the MVC Championship race while finishing in second at both the Western Class C meet and the Class C State meet.

He already has momentum heading into the fall with an outstanding summer, where he broke Maine's state record at the New Balance Outdoor National 5k in Greensboro, N.C. in June with a time of 14:57.76. That record was once owned by Louie Luchini (15:00.44 in 1998). He finished 16th overall in the unseeded race.

"I like (national events)," Holt-Andrews said. "It's better competition. Maine has a few good runners, but it's nice to go out there and compete against all the best guys to see where you are at."

Even though his senior season hasn't begun in earnest, he has already started to look to life after high school for his running career.

"I've been talking to a few colleges, I definitely want to go to a running college to continue my running career there and maybe even run after college," Holt-Andrews said.

As far as the Olympic trials, perhaps?

"That would be nice, but you can't count on that," he said.

THS fall sports previews

GIRLS' SOCCER

This will be the second year of varsity girls soccer. We have increased our team size to 23 and will be playing JV games. We have a great group of returning players and a group of talented new players. Each player is improving daily and some good results early in the year could build some much needed confidence in the team.

Returning players:

Seniors and captains: Casey Blaszcak, sweeper; Jenny Wakefield, left back; Maisey Griffin, center midfield; Alyssa Brands, center forward.

Juniors:

Sequiera Lavendar, forward/midfield; Courtney Currier, back; Lakota Monzo, forward/midfield.

Sophomores:

Tori Ryerson, stopper; Shannon Alanskas, midfield; Jillian DeLallo, forward; Maddie Prentice, midfield; Ana Harren, right back.

New players:

Seniors: Ashlyn Bell, midfield; **Juniors:** Jordan Kulig, forward; Chelsea Merrill, back; **Sophomores:** Lexie Ann Hart; **Freshmen:** Ali Turnick, forward; Lizzy Mitchell, midfield; Mallory Coriveau, back/keeper; Caitlin Haines, forward/keeper; Tehya Johnson, keeper/midfield; Anna Montagna, midfield; Mercedes Letourneau, back.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

The squad includes:

Seniors: Josef Holt-Andrews (captain); Anneliese Smith.

Juniors: Greg Wheeler; Gabi Stone (captain); Kazmira Weinberg; Annalise Hawthorne.

Sophomores: Zach Kellner; Kaitlyn Brown; Carla Boyle-Wight.

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Senior College Players

Fifteen members, including four newcomers, joined the Senior College Players at the recent WMSC annual meeting and registration. However, Ross Timberlake, director, and Lorrie Hoeh, assistant director, are hoping a few more men will join the troupe. Three exciting, lighthearted plays will be performed in a 90-minute production this fall with many interesting roles for men. The plays include, "Who Murdered Who," "Shakespeare in Shambles," and "Light Competition."

Timberlake said, "The Senior College Players course offers a fun, low-key approach to acting and an introduction to play production. Participants will learn about developing a character and assuming a character role in a play." He added that although the emphasis will be on acting, the class will also give some insight into how a play is produced from rehearsal to set design, prop acquisition, publicity and other tasks. A special orientation will be held for newcomers and Timberlake assures everyone that the "senior theater" tradition of carrying scripts on stage will be continued.

Anyone interested in more information may contact Timberlake at 824-6545 or Hoeh at 824-2917 before rehearsals start on Sept. 16.

Local Food Connection

Anna Sysko writing this week! Maine Apple Sunday was this past weekend which reminded me to go check the ancient trees around the property to see if their apples are ready to be put into pies. With Jack Frost threatening to nip our gardens at any moment, this year I've decided to really get to work preserving the bounty of such a beautiful growing season. Dilly beans and pickled peppers, blueberry-apple sauerkraut and kimchi. My Thanksgiving has already begun.

Here are some ways you can celebrate too:

Sept. 14 4 to 5:30 p.m.: Season Extension Workshop and Greenhouse tour at Anna's Garden in Newry. RSVP: annasysko@gmail.com

Sept. 11 through 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Community Roots at the Oxford Fair. Local businesses and farms featured in the Sustainability area, between Expo 1 and the Stage. Come support! We need volunteers to help represent LFC! Contact Gabe Perkins at Gabe.perkins@gmail.com.

Sept. 12, 5:30 to 7 p.m.: Local Food Connection meeting. Location announced on our Facebook page. Regular meetings will be the second Wednesday of every month.

Sept. 21: Bethel Harvest Fest and Chowdah Cook off held on the Bethel Common.

Sept. 28, 2 p.m.: School Garden Day at Telstar Middle School and Bryant Pond 4H Camp, followed by a Harvest Dinner at 6 p.m. at the Camp.

Fundraiser for freestyle skier

Friends and family have planned a fundraiser to support local freestyle mogul skier Troy Murphy. Events will take place on Saturday, Oct. 12 and will include a 9-hole golf tournament, social, dinner, live auction and live music. All proceeds will help offset the costs of training, travel, events, coaching, and all other ski related expenses for his 2013-2014 season.

This past spring, Troy made the U.S. Ski Team after a successful competition season. Troy has dedicated much of his life to mogul skiing, starting at age 10 in the Gould Academy Competition Weekend Program. He then attended Gould Academy, where he trained and competed in their full time program. After Gould, Troy deferred from college to continue pursuing his ski career and his goal of making the U.S. Ski Team. During that time Troy skied with the Planet Ski International ski program as well as the Park City Freestyle Team, competing in NorAm and World Cup events.

After ranking fifth in the country last season, he earned a spot on the U.S. Ski Team's "C" Team. Troy has now set out to achieve his ultimate goal of winning the Olympics. The "C" Team is an unfunded team status, so Troy must pay all of his expenses on his own. For this reason, the fundraiser has been planned to help Troy afford his upcoming season, which is estimated to cost \$26,000. Everyone is welcome at the fundraiser. Please come show your support and help Troy make it to the Olympics! Details are online at troymurphy.brownpapertickets.com.

Down Home Maine presentation

Join us on Wednesday, Sept. 18, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel for WMSC's first Down Home Maine presentation of 2013-14. The speakers for this event, "The Future of our Community's Youth - SAD 44 and Project Opportunity," are Ted Davis, Executive Director of Project Opportunity, and Karen Bean, MELMAC Coach.

Since 2003, Telstar High School has been a recipient of grants from the Maine Educational Loan Marketing Corporation (MELMAC). Their newest grant is focused on preparing middle school students for post-secondary training. Come learn about how this program is impacting the youth of our community and how you may become involved.

All Down Home Maine events are free and open to the public, so invite your friends and neighbors. For more information contact Ted Davis at 824-2496.

Oxford County Democrats

The Oxford County Democrats held their Sept. 8 meeting at the Crescent Park School in Bethel beginning with a potluck supper and social time. Cathy Newell, Chair of the Committee, welcomed attendees from Rumford, Mexico, Dixfield, Bethel, Greenwood, Norway, Paris, Woodstock and Oxford.

Roy Gedat presented an update on the treasury reporting that the Annual BBQ held at the University of Maine 4-H Camp and Learning Center was a tremendous success, exceeding its goal both in terms of attendance and fundraising. The event featured remarks by Congressman Mike Michaud, and several of the Congressional contenders, Emily Cain, Joe Baldacci, and John Patrick, speaking for candidate Troy Jackson. Gedat reported that the Annual Fund appeal also met its goal in the spring.

The Committee was active throughout the summer with parade presence and booths at West Paris Old Home Days, Hiram and Rumford on July 4, Bethel's Mollycodd Day, Lovell Old Home Days, Andover Old Home Days and the Dixfield Outdoor Market. Planned participation in the Buckfield Community Day was rained out. More than 25 Oxford County Democrats attended the Michaud for Governor Announcement event in Lewiston.

The Democratic State Convention will be held on May 30 and 31, 2014. The following slots on the Convention Committee were filled by the Oxford County Committee: Permanent Organization: Eileen Broderick of Bethel; Credentials: India Baker of Bethel and Platform: Jimmy McHugh of Mexico; Barbara Arsenault of Rumford, Larry Engdahl of Bethel.

The following regional point people have been named to secure caucus conveners for the various towns in their regions, work on regional caucus locations if that is the desire of the local towns, and serve as contact people for the Michaud campaign, US Senate and CD 2 campaigns: River Valley: John Patrick, Barbara Arsenault, Jimmy McHugh; Oxford Hills: Roy Gedat and others to be recruited; Southern Oxford: Cathy Newell and others to be recruited; Bethel Area: Mike Broderick; Buckfield Area: To be recruited. Colin O'Neill volunteered to take on the webmaster duties for the redesigned web site.

Events throughout the county were discussed with the Fryeburg Fair being the major project in the next month. Events will be listed on the Facebook page for the Oxford County Democrats. Staffing for the Fryeburg Fair booth is underway, and parade participants are also being sought. Contact Cathy Newell at info@oxforddems.org or 875-2116.

The next meeting will be held in combination with an event in Southern Oxford County in mid to late October.

BHS meeting tonight

On Thursday, Sept. 12 (today), the Bethel Historical Society's Annual Meeting will take place in the Howe Exhibit Hall at the Mason House, starting with a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. The meeting itself will begin at 7:30, during which revisions to the Society's bylaws will be reviewed and voted on, and officers and trustees for 2013-2014 will be elected. There will also be a brief review of some of the organization's activities and accomplishments since the annual meeting in 2012.

Following the Annual Meeting, Dr. Stanley R. Howe, BHS Executive Director Emeritus, will talk about his ongoing work on the first biography of William Bingham II (1879-1955), Bethel's greatest philanthropist and a long-time summer resident on Broad Street. The research and publication of this long-awaited book is a project sponsored by the Bethel Historical Society and supported by grants from The Betterment Fund, The William Bingham Foundation and The Bingham Trust. The BHS Annual Meeting and lecture are free and will take place in the Howe Exhibit Hall at the Mason House.

Work on the "Mary E. Valentine Collections Wing" is proceeding rapidly, with the foundation and basement nearly complete, and the first floor walls in place. The projected time for completion of the exterior is early November, and then work will continue inside. Funded mainly by a generous bequest from the estate of the late Mary E. Valentine (1925-2012), the 1,600-square-foot reconstruction of the rear (summer kitchen/shed) of the Society's 1821 Robinson House will do much to return the structure to its 19th century appearance, while allowing for 21st century state-of-the-art museum design and technology inside. When completed, the Valentine Wing will provide essential space to properly store the Society's extensive collection of historic objects and artifacts relating to western Maine and the White Mountain region of Maine and New Hampshire.

While the Valentine bequest will allow for substantial work to be carried out on the new wing, additional funds are being sought to complete the project. Some of the supplementary money raised will go directly toward offsetting construction costs, while other funds will be invested to generate income needed to maintain the new facility. Tax-deductible donations in any amount to help complete this project may be sent to the Society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Maine 04217. For more information, please call 207-824-2908 or 800-824-2910.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is the largest and most comprehensive historical organization in its region. In 1974, the Society acquired the 1813 Broad Street residence of Dr. Moses Mason, which contains a period house museum, exhibit hall and research library. In 1999, the Society added the adjacent O'Neil Robinson House (1821) to its facilities for an expanded exhibits program, museum shop space, and administrative offices. For nearly fifty years, the Bethel Historical Society's wide-ranging achievements have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations.

Obituaries



IDA E. DAVIS

Ida Ellen Davis, 86, died Monday, Sept. 2, 2013 at her residence on the Swain Road, Rumford.

She was born in Upton on May 24, 1927, a daughter of Waldo and Pearl (Parks) Peaslee and graduated from Andover High School.

Ida was a very active member of the Mexico First Baptist Church.

She was married in Mexico on May 3, 1946 to Clinton E. Davis who died in Rumford on Aug. 16, 1998.

Survivors include daughters Ellen Hutchins and husband Dwight of Andover and Pearl Whitney and husband Gary of Rumford; sons Ronald Davis and wife Myea of Alamogordo, N.M., Foster Davis and wife Betty of East Andover, and Lloyd Davis and wife Tammy of Indianapolis, Ind.; daughter in law Beth Davis and companion Mike Burke of Auburn; sister Jean Guild of Livermore; brothers Silas Foster Peaslee of North Yarmouth, Harold Peaslee and wife Jesse of Yelm, Wash, and Gregory John Peaslee of Andover; many grandchildren and great grandchildren and one great-great grandson. She was predeceased by a son Clinton Elmer Davis, Jr.

Friends are invited to sign the family guest book and share their thoughts, condolences and memories online at www.meadersandson.com

Those who desire, in lieu of flowers, may contribute to the Mexico First Baptist Church, 20 Roxbury Road, Mexico, Maine 04257 in her memory.

ROY NEWTON

Roy Burton Newton, 70, passed away Monday Sept. 9, 2013 at Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine.

MLT starts book group

The Mahoosuc Land Trust will initiate its Conservation Book Group with a discussion of Professor Andrew Barton's recent publication, "The Changing Nature of the Maine Woods." Barton, a professor at The University of Maine, Farmington, will be the featured speaker at the Land Trusts' Annual Meeting on Sunday, Oct. 20. His book has been called "a dynamic look at the ever-changing nature of the state's forests, following their unique evolution over thousands of years."

The initial Conservation Book Group meeting will be held at the Land Trust Office, 18 Mayville Road, Bethel, on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. For more information or for help obtaining the book, interested participants are invited to call the Land Trust Office at 824-3806.

This will be the first of an ongoing discussion group with a focus on the wealth of literature devoted to ecology and land conservation.

Those attending the first meeting are invited to bring their favorite suggestions for future reading.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is an accredited community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County, Maine, and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and conservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information, visit www.mahoosuc.org or call 207-824-3806.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner; 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 to noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Route 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor & Nicholas Lutzo, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults and children, "Sunday Morning Live" for Middle and High School youth; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade). Tuesdays: High School Youth Group 5 to 7 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group 5 to 7 p.m. FMI: 207-824-2289

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wednesday evening 6 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Ger-

ry Shimamura 824-7289 or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Route 26). Fr. Gregory Dube may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689.

United Methodist - 79 Main Street. Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship service 9 a.m. FMI: 824-0797. (No services Aug. 18; worship will be at the Rumford Center United Methodist Church at 10 a.m. for the celebration of Rumford Center's 150th anniversary.)

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 8/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3 through high school. FMI: 836-2828.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the

Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sandra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI: 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. 276 King St. Oxford.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours – No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Food Pantry; Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0349).

Alzheimer's Support Group; Rumford Community Home, 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. Meetings held the third Wednesday of every month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. FMI: Sue Ellen Richardson or Terry Drury (364-7863).

Sept. 12 through 15

Crossroads International Celtic Festival; For five days in September, attendees will enjoy musicians from all over the Celtic world – a unique celebration of music and culture – dozens of concerts all over the county, an extensive line-up of community events, and a nightly festival club! For a complete list of performers and venues visit: crossroadscelticfestival.com.

Thursday, Sept. 12

How to Keep Your Balance; 2 to 3 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library. Lissa Merrill, the Director of Physical Therapy at Stephens Memorial Hospital will talk about a program well known nationally, Matter of Balance, as well as a program offered locally at no charge called Staying on Your Feet. Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Seed Saving Workshop/Harvest Party; Alan Day Community Garden. Workshop with Scott Vlaun from 3 to 5 p.m. Harvest party featuring a potluck meal, music and campfire from 5 to 7 p.m.

BHS Annual Meeting; A 6:30 potluck supper at the Mason House will precede the Society's Annual Meeting, during which officers and trustees for 2013-2014 will be elected and the BHS Historic Preservation Award presented. Following the Annual Meeting, Stanley R. Howe will talk about his ongoing work on a biography of William Bingham, II.

Celtic Reflections; 7 p.m., Brick Church for the Performing Arts, Lovell. Performances by Long Time Courting, Frank Ferrel, and Chrissy Crowley. Tickets: \$15 at the door or at <http://crossroadscelticfestival.com/shows>. FMI: <http://crossroadscelticfestival.com> or 207-925-1500.

Celtic Cabaret; 7 p.m., 49 Franklin. Performances by magician, Scot Grasse, New Brunswick fiddler Kathleen Gorey-McSorley and Maine duo "The Squid Jiggers."

Sept. 13 through 15

The \$10,000 Sunday River Open Dart Tournament; Welcoming shooters of all abilities from across North America to the Grand Summit Resort Hotel. Join us for a chance to win a part of a \$10,000 prize purse. This is your chance to shoot with top-ranked players or to watch the action of highly competitive matches.

Saturday, Sept. 14

Indoor Yard Sale; 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Wilkins House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. Many new items including books, games, household items and rocking horses. All proceeds benefit the Wilkins House and the church.

Texas Hold'em Tournament; 10 a.m., American Legion Hall, Locke's Mills. Proceeds to support Jackson-Silver Post 68 scholarships, Legion ball team and other Legion programs. Entry: \$40. Lunch and snacks available throughout the day.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Meeting; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center. Topic: Preparing and medicating bees for winter. FMI: John (743-5009) or Kevin (farout@roadrunner.com).

McLaughlin Dye Workshop; 1 to 4 p.m., McLaughlin Garden, South Paris. This is a dying workshop. Participants will take home hand dyed fibers suitable for knitting or hooking. The cost of this program is \$25 (excluding wool). Please call 743-8820 or stop by the garden gift shop at 97 Main Street in South Paris to register.

Season Extension Workshop and Greenhouse Tour; 4 to 5:30 p.m., Anna's Garden, Newry. RSVP: annasysko@gmail.com

BBQ Chicken Public Supper; 5 to 7 p.m., Masonic Building, Bryant Pond. BBQ Chicken, potato salad, baked beans, dinner rolls and vanilla and chocolate pudding. Coffee, tea, punch and Crystal Lite. \$8/adults, \$5/children 10 and under. Reservations (8 or more): 312-9197. Takeout available. FMI: 739-2268 or 744-9322.

Season Extension with Anna Sysko; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Location: TBA.

Celtic Festival Event; 7 p.m., Rumford Falls Auditorium. Performances by the Lina Boudreau Trio, Dominique Dupuis and Arsenaault.

Swingin' Bears Dance Club; 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School. Walter Lougee will call for the Mainstream/Plus square dance and Carol Arsenaault will cue for the Round Dancing. Refreshments, door prizes and a Pot O' Gold drawing. Admission: \$6. Non-dancers welcome at no charge. FMI: www.squaredanceme.us/ or 207-782-4060.

Sunday, Sept. 15

Biathlon; 9 a.m., Roberts Farm Preserve, Norway. 3k and 6k competitions offered. Competitors must be able to run their course distances. No previous shooting experience required. Air rifles will be provided. Competitors 10 to 15 years of age must be accompanied by a parent.

Finnish-American Heritage Society Meeting; 2 p.m., Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a brief business meeting, Natalie Parsons will present a program on her recent tour of Finland. Open to the public.

Tuesday, Sept. 17

Special Town Meeting in Hanover; 5 p.m. at Town House. To decide if the town should plow the South Shore Road. New cost estimates will be presented.

Wednesday, Sept. 18

The Future of our Community's Youth – SAD 44 and Project Opportunity; 4:30 to 6 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. WMSC's first Down Home Maine presentation of 2013-14. Speakers: Ted Davis, Executive Director of Project Opportunity, and Karen Bean, MELMAC Coach.

Thursday, Sept. 19

Bryant Pond Cruise Night; 5:30 to 7 p.m., Breaux's Too parking lot. Classic cars and live music by Brad Hooper. FMI: 665-2554.

Friday, Sept. 20

Northeast Drift Boat Championship; 3 p.m., Bethel Outdoor Adventures, Route 2. Designed as a spectator event, the competition will test oarsmen's skills at navigating a course and rowing speed. Each drift boat must carry at least one angler, who must remain standing throughout the timed race. Official contest rules and a registration form are available on line at www.upperandro.com or by phoning 207-824-3694.

Saturday, Sept. 21

Upper Andro Two Fly Contest; 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Teams may launch from public sites from the Shelburne Dam in New Hampshire to Rumford Center. Contest is limited to 20 teams. Official contest rules and a registration form are available on line at www.upperandro.com or by phoning 207-824-3694.

The Hailey Walk; registration at 8 a.m., walk starts at 9 at Crescent Park School in Bethel. Come walk and support 7-year-old Hailey Steward, who has leukemia. Proceeds support the Maine Children's Cancer Program. Minimum of \$25 in pledges requested. FMI 381-7078.

Apple Pie Contest for Bethel Harvestfest; Enter your pie into the apple pie contest in one of three categories: Professional, Amateur, and Non-traditional. This is a wonderful event and YES there will be prizes! After the judging the pies will be sold by the slice. With Ice Cream! Please join us and bake a pie or two. For more information on entering, and online registration, visit www.bethelharvestfest.com or call Rene McGrew at the Riverview at 824-2808.

2013 Harvest Fest and "Chowdah" Cook-off; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bethel. Arts and crafts, "chowdahs" from area restaurants, apple pie contest, Maine baked potatoes, wood-carving demonstration, entertainment at the Bethel Common gazebo, lecture and book signing with David B. Field, free horse-drawn wagon rides. FMI: www.bethelharvestfest.com.

Free Household Hazardous Waste Collection; 9 to 11:30 a.m., SAD 44 Bus Garage, Main Street, Bethel. Items to bring include products with words such as caution, warning, poison, corrosive, toxic, volatile, flammable or danger on the label.

SWOAM Meeting; 9 a.m., Huntress/Hounsell Tree Farm, Collins Farm Road, Hebron. Topic: Managing an early successional forest. Free and open to the public. Coffee and doughnuts will be available at 8:30 a.m.

Finnish Language Classes; Beginner classes, 10:30 to 12:30. Intermediate classes, 1 to 3 at the Finnish-American Heritage Center. Marja-Leena Bailey will offer beginner and intermediate level Finnish language classes. FMI: 674-5539 or 743-5677.

Public Supper; 5:30 to 6:30, West Bethel Union Church. Adults/\$8, children under 12/\$3.

Monday, Sept. 23

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Woodstock Republican Committee Meeting; 6 p.m., 61 Rumford Avenue. All Republicans registered in the town of Woodstock are welcome. Please call 665-2049 if you plan to attend.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

Community Supper; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. (no charge), Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). FMI: 207-824-2289.

Sept. 26 through Oct. 6

Autumn Splendor 2013, a Quilt Shop Hop through Western Maine; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Participating shops include Pins & Needles, Farmington; Threads Galore Quilt Shop, Rangeley; North Woods Quilting, Wilsons Mills; The Quilt Shop at the Rostay, Bethel; Kedar Quilts, Waterford; Babbling Brook Quilt Shop, Norway; and Oxford Mill End Store, Oxford. At each shop, quilters will receive piecing directions for one row of the seven rows in the "Autumn Splendor Row by Row" quilt. Finishing instructions for the quilt will be given to hoppers when they visit their seventh shop. Completed passports will be entered in the grand drawing for gift certificates from each shop. There will be goodies and door prizes along the way. FMI: <https://sites.google.com/a/threadsgalore.com/autumn-splendor>.

Sept. 27 through 29

GROWing Awareness of Organizing; Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center. The 10th annual GROW (grassroots organizing workshop) weekend. Workshop topics include strategy development, influencing public policy, power analysis, overcoming oppression, listening and storytelling, and Organizing 101. Cost: \$10 to \$80 (based on ability to pay). FMI/registration: Jacqui Devenau at (207) 284-3358 or jacqui050@yahoo.com.

Iggy Brimmer at (207) 415-4458 or iggy19@riseup.net, or Larry Dansinger at (207) 525-7776 or rosc@psouth.net.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Errol Heritage Days/Lumberjack Competition; Errol, N.H. 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.: Pancake breakfast. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Vendors, bake sale, raffles and Lumberjack Competition. Lumberjack contact: Gerry Gingras (603-482-3370). Vendor contact: Cheryl Lord (603-482-7747).

Auction and Yard Sale; 14 West Bethel Road. Preview at 9 a.m. Auction begins at 10. Auctioneer: Dave Murphy. Proceeds to benefit the Locke Mills Union Church.

White Mountains Writers' and Book Festival; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., White Mountains Community College. Workshops, vendors and keynote address by acclaimed author, Howard Frank Mosher. \$15 per workshop. Food will be available for purchase.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

MLT Conservation Book Group; 7 p.m., Land Trust Office, 18 Mayville Road, Bethel. Professor Andrew Barton's publication "The Changing Nature of the Maine Woods" will be discussed. FMI or help obtaining the book: 824-3806.

Friday, Oct. 4

Alder River Grange Meeting; Alder River Grange Hall. A quick meeting followed by a "peel party" to prep veggies for the Harvest Supper.

Oct. 5 and 6

Albany Improvement Association Annual Yard Sale; 9 a.m., Albany Town Hall. To donate items, please call 824-2568 or 824-2216.

Saturday, Oct. 5

Western Maine Walk to End Alzheimer's; 8 a.m., Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Participate in a three-mile walk and learn more about Alzheimer's disease, advocacy opportunities, clinical trial enrollment, and support programs and services. To start or join a team visit alz.org/maine/ walk or call 800-272-3900.

Harvest Supper; 5 p.m., Alder River Grange Hall. \$8/adults, \$3/children 12 and under.

Sunday, Oct. 6

CROP Walk; 12 p.m. Communities Respond to Overcome Poverty by walking 3k around Bethel, starting at West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. 75% goes to Church World Service and 25% stays in Bethel with the Bethel Food Pantry. Contact Jane Chandler for sponsor forms (357-3524 jane.h.chandler@gmail.com).

Saturday, Oct. 12

Library fundraiser; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hanover Library. Bake sale, craft sale, book sale, trash and treasure sale. Lunch menu: hot dogs, chili dogs, doughnuts, coffee, soda, etc. Quilt raffle: Quilt for all seasons. Basket raffle: Nine theme baskets including "Blueberry Morning," "Quilters Stash" (complete quilt kit), "For Kids, by Kids," "Octoberfest," "Spirits and Games of the Past," "Man's Basket" (annual favorite made by men), "Holiday Breakfast," "Raggedy Ann and Andy," and "Snowman Craze."

Troy Murphy Benefit Fundraiser; 1 p.m.: 9-Hole golf tournament. 5 p.m.: Dinner, live auction and live music. Register at troymurphy.brownpapertickets.com. Proceeds to help freestyle mogul skier and U.S. Ski Team "C" Team member, Troy Murphy, fund his upcoming season.

14th Annual Wife Carrying Championship; The traditional vow exclaiming "to have and to hold" will take on a whole new meaning for the 50 couples set to compete in Sunday River Resort's 14th annual North American Wife Carrying Championships. Registration is open. FMI: SundayRiver.com.

Sunday, Oct. 13

Mountain Raid at Sunday River; The RAID Series is comprised of three unique obstacle races that take place in downtown Portland, the beaches of Kennebunk, and finally the mountains at Sunday River. These runs will challenge your physical fitness, your mental stamina, and your ability to adapt to unique conditions and landscapes. Offering outstanding venues and large scale obstacles such as cargo nets, monkey bars, stair climbs, sand bag carries, tire fields, and much more, the RAID Series is designed for athletes who want a high-quality racing experience focused on performance and personal accomplishment. The 4 mile and 12 mile trail runs are in the morning with the 4 mile Mountain RAID obstacle course at 1 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 19

Seed Saving with Anna Sysko; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Location: TBA.

Oct. 25 and 26

Annual Bethel Outing Club Ski Sale; Friday 6 to 9 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Gould Academy Field House.

Oct. 25 through 27

Ghosts and Gravestones Getaway Weekend; Bethel Inn Resort. A phantom-filled weekend of Ghost Hunting, Historic Tours and Resort Activities! Hosted by The Bethel Inn Resort and the Bethel Historical Society. \$259 per couple per night – includes meals, lodging lectures and all taxes and resort fees. Space limited to 50 people. FMI/reservations: (800) 654-0125 or www.bethelinn.com.

Saturday, Oct. 26

Aquaponic Gardening; 5:30 to 7:30, U. Maine 4-H Camp, Bryant Pond. Workshop with Julek Chawarski.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - VACATIONS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: Where do songbirds go for vacation?

- ALARM CLOCK
- BACKPACK
- BATTERY
- BRUSH
- CAMERA
- CARDS
- CASH
- CELL PHONE
- COMB
- FILM
- GAME
- GLASSES
- GUIDE BOOK
- MAP
- PUZZLE
- TOWEL
- WALLET

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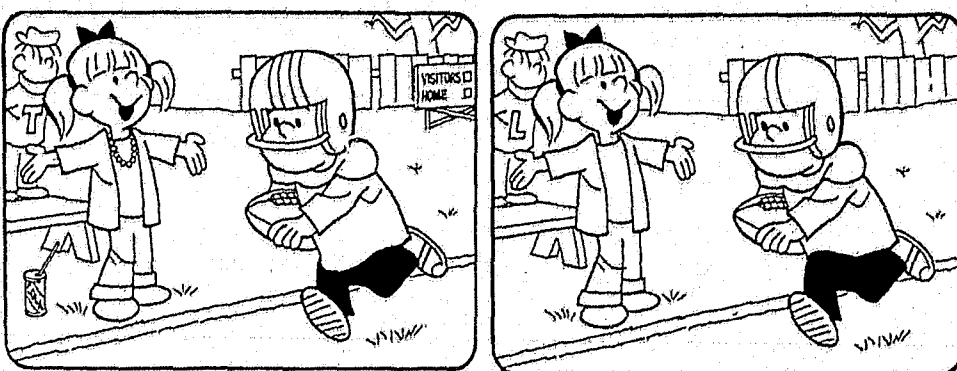
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



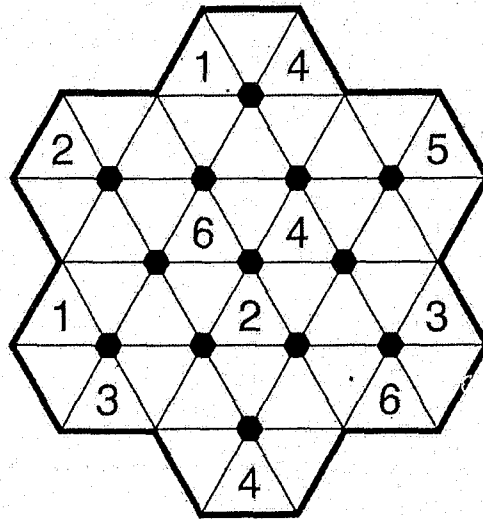
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1. Letter is different. 2. Can is missing. 3. Beads are missing. 4. Stripe is different. 5. Shirt is missing. 6. Scoreboard is missing.

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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Remark IMONENT
Needed TAVIL
Adjust GLAIN
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TODAY'S WORD

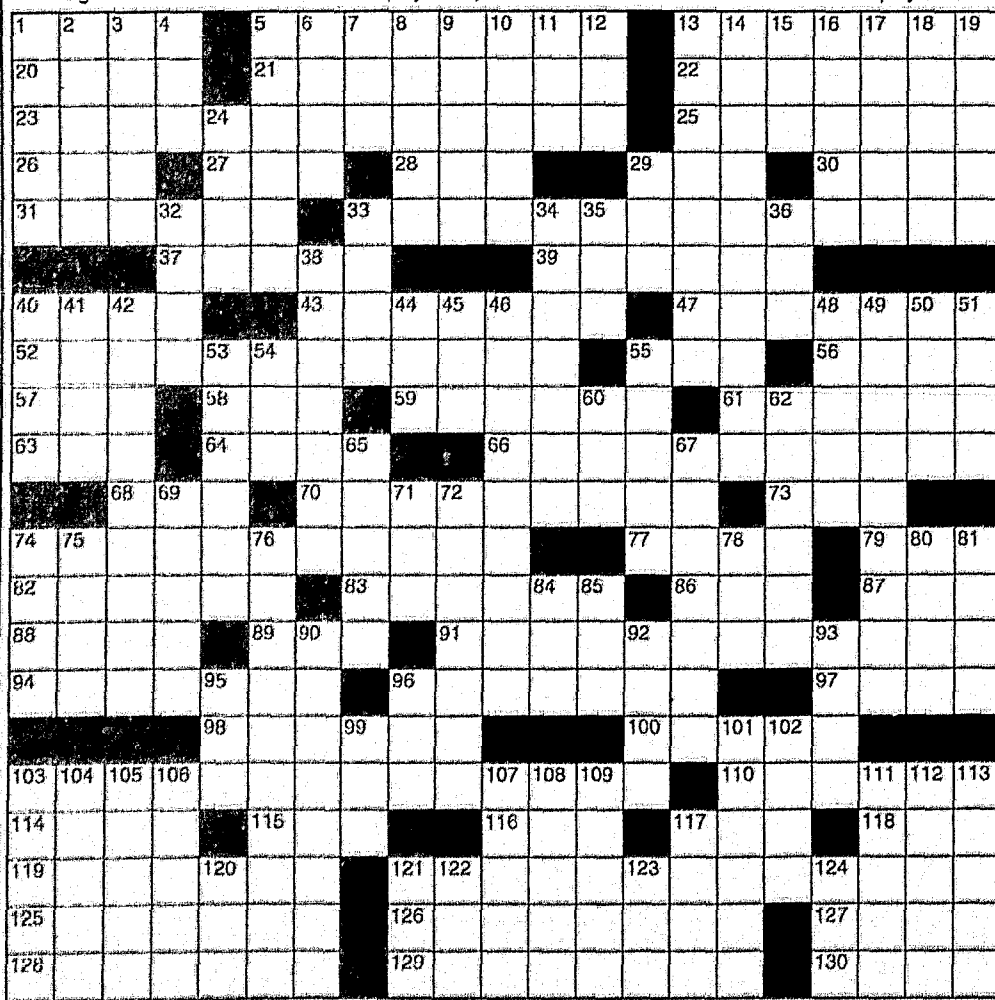


"Know why I only lasted three in-nings? I forgot to take my Cheweez Pills today..."

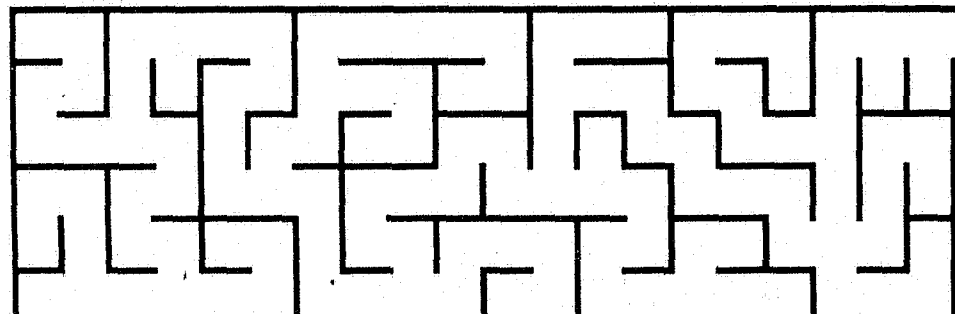
Super Crossword

NEW 130-ACROSSES

- ACROSS
- 1 Boxing punches
- 5 Bulk-buying chain
- 13 Professional copyists
- 20 Balls
- 21 Represent as perfect
- 22 Ballerina
- 23 Something bad that has to be done
- 25 Kind of comb
- 26 Picnic crawler
- 27 PIN-taking dispenser
- 28 Sealant stuff
- 29 One-eighty on the road
- 30 One-named Deco artist
- 31 Beasily
- 33 Actor on "The Dick Van Dyke Show"
- 37 Samuel with a code
- 39 Act of keeping watch
- 40 Arsenal stuff
- 43 Three-horse carnages
- 47 Complains
- 52 Longtime classroom magazine
- 55 Dutch banking giant
- 56 Notorious emperor
- 57 Curry of "Today"
- 58 Wide-shoe letters
- 59 Very interested in
- 61 Turn into a mummy
- 63 Thither
- 64 Not far from
- 66 18-yard box, in soccer
- 68 Bear, in Mexico
- 70 Serving several functions
- 73 -K (tyke's class)
- 74 "Match Game" host
- 77 Joke-telling
- 79 Relaxing resort
- 82 Actor Platt
- 83 Last Greek letters
- 86 Antique Olds
- 87 Ill-bred fellow
- 88 Head, in Cannes
- 89 Suffix with east or north
- 91 Engage in silly play
- 94 Intimidate
- 96 Rio de —, Brazil
- 97 Court partitions
- 98 Brazil's first emperor
- 100 Previously, in poetry
- 103 Knighted
- 110 Life forms
- 114 Suffix with laundry
- 115 Hardly rigid
- 116 Yearbook bit
- 117 Grazing ground
- 118 Amazed cry
- 119 Call to mind
- 121 "Fosse," e.g.
- 125 Neil of the Pet Shop Boys
- 126 Pep up
- 127 Put on, as cargo
- 128 Socks with diamonds
- 129 Like a fez
- 130 Word rearranged and hidden in this puzzle's eight longest answers
- 2 Vying venue
- 3 "Doctor Who" airer
- 4 Cleveland-to-Akron dir.
- 5 Nun
- 6 Eve's mate
- 7 Sea, to Simone
- 8 "What do you — that?"
- 9 With 40-Down, erase
- 10 French for "book"
- 11 Israeli arm
- 12 Air or ami lead-in
- 13 Definite indication
- 14 Thing shot in skeel shooting
- 15 — a-tat
- 16 Entomb
- 17 Two-by-four
- 18 Title role for Patti LuPone
- 19 Bay State port
- 24 Starch-yielding palm
- 29 Ballpark arbor
- 32 Crazedly
- 33 Paltry
- 34 Pining type
- 35 Horse kin
- 36 "Do Ya" gp.
- 38 Flowing steadily
- 40 See 9-Down
- 41 "Ask — questions ..."
- 42 Akin to Amish
- 44 Acorn maker
- 45 Ending for cyan
- 46 Continuing
- 48 Open, as a gate
- 49 Coast Guard coup
- 50 Detective novelist — Stanley Gardner
- 51 Cell body
- 53 Poe maidon
- 54 "— haw!" ("Wheel")
- 55 As a whole
- 60 Beattle bride
- 62 "I lost — meatball ..."
- 67 Wary about
- 69 Break off
- 71 Abner's radio partner
- 72 "Johnny —" (1957 Disney film)
- 74 Attend
- 75 Height: Abbr.
- 76 "Is anyone else here?"
- 78 Teachers' gp.
- 80 Huff and puff
- 81 Appends
- 84 Gas suffix
- 85 Do moguls
- 90 New rough sketches
- 92 Periods
- 93 "Finally — know!"
- 95 Cartoon shopkeeper
- 96 Great elation
- 99 Critic Reed
- 101 Did as told
- 102 Headquarters
- 103 Certain
- 104 Additional
- 105 Wasp attack
- 106 Youngman of one-liners
- 107 Wind quintet
- 108 Fibbers
- 109 Avoid styly
- 111 Stellar phenomena
- 112 Mild cheese
- 113 Utter
- 117 Lie around
- 120 — Kan (old dog food brand)
- 121 Track wager
- 122 Cell material
- 123 Wheaton of TV and film
- 124 TV Tarzan player Ron



Kids' Maze

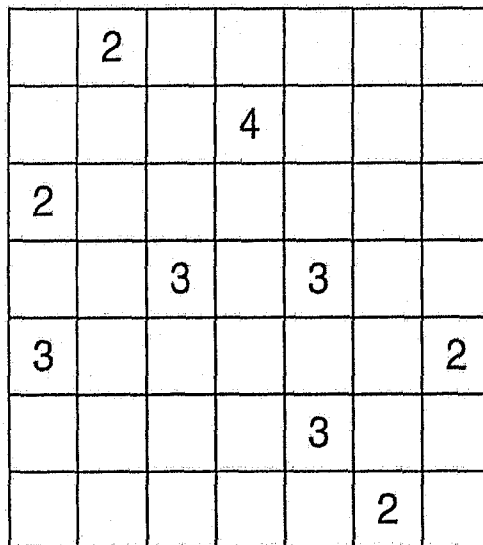


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Star★Map

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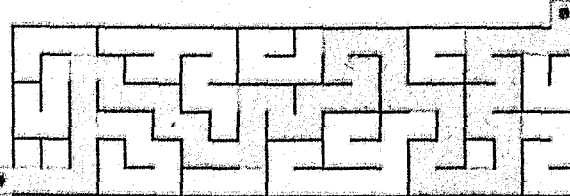
Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



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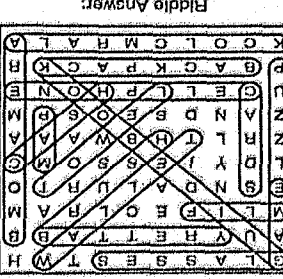
Today's Word:

3. Allign; 4. Nottly

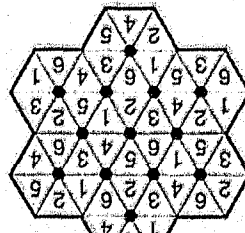
1. Mention; 2. Vital

SCRAMBLERS

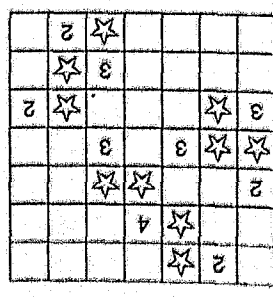
The Canary Islands.



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SNOWFLAKES



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ANSWERS:

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SAFE VOICES

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River, Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357, (877) 836-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES

Clothing Exchange
Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

Food Pantry
Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

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THE FAIRWAY/MILLBROOK TOWNHOUSES CONDOMINIUM
BETHEL, ME

By virtue of the Condominium Declaration and By-Laws of the Fairway and Millbrook Townhouses Condominium, Bethel, ME, the Timeshare Ownership Agreement entered into between the Bethel Inn Corporation and the below listed Time-Share Owner(s), and Title 33 M.R.S.A., Section 594 establishing a lien for failure to pay assessments on the Time-Share Estate(s) held by the Time-Share Owner(s) listed below, the Time-Share Estate(s) will be sold at Public Auction commencing at 11:00 am on October 17, 2013 at the Sales Office of the Fairway/Millbrook Townhouses Condominium at 21 Broad Street, Bethel, ME.

Owner Name/Address	Unit/Week	Deed Book/Page
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Charles & Cynthia Carinda Marston Mills, MA	538/39	2754/241
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Dana & Dawn Cole Hope, ME	538/14	2518/329
James Laveru Oxford, ME	615/38	3938/156

EACH TIME-SHARE OWNER IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO PETITION THE SUPERIOR COURT OR DISTRICT COURT FOR OXFORD COUNTY, WITH SERVICE ON THE BETHEL INN CORPORATION, AND UPON SUCH BOND AS THE COURT MAY REQUIRE, TO ENJOIN THE SCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE.

The Time-Share Estate(s) shall be sold in one or more lots, as announced at the sale, subject to:

- Covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, declarations, rights, easements, liens for future assessments, options, and limitations on title set forth in or referred to herein or in the Condominium Declaration;
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 - municipal taxes;
 - mortgages;
 - State of Maine liens.
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- The Time-Share Estate(s) shall be sold subject to real estate taxes assessed by and due and payable to the Town of Bethel, Maine and subject to Bethel, Maine real estate taxes for the current year. The Bethel Inn does not represent or warrant the accuracy or completeness of any information or any real estate figures received from the Town of Bethel regarding the status of the Time-Share Estate(s) and disclaims any responsibility or liability for their accuracy or completeness.

Possession of the Time-Share Estate(s) shall be given to the purchaser upon transfer of title. All rights of redemption of the prior Time-Share Owner(s) are extinguished upon sale of the Time-Share Estate(s). The deed to the purchaser for the Time-Share Estate(s) will be a Quitclaim Deed Without Covenant from the Bethel Inn. The purchaser shall take title to the Time-Share Estate(s) free and clear of any outstanding assessments owed by the prior time-share owner to the Bethel Inn, except that if the purchaser intends to use the Time-Share Estate(s) during the same calendar year in which the estate is purchased, the purchaser shall pay the assessment for that year. The purchaser shall at his/her cost pay all real estate transfer taxes, whether assessed to purchaser or seller.

The high bidder must submit at the sale a deposit of one thousand dollars (\$1000), in cash or by certified or cashier's check, which sum will be retained as a non-refundable, non-interest bearing down payment to be applied to the purchase price. Checks should be made payable to Escrow Account of Michael T. Steven & Associates. The highest bidder must also sign a purchase and sale contract with the Bethel Inn, calling for a closing within two business (2) days of the public sale, at which time the balance will be due in cash or by certified or cashier's check payable to the Bethel Inn, who will then deliver a duly executed quitclaim deed without covenant. In the event the Bethel Inn (or its designee) is the highest bidder, no down payment or contract will be required. The sale will be made without warranties or representations.

The Time-Share Estates, if there are more than one listed above, must be sold in individual lots unless there are no individual bidders, in which case they may be sold as a group.

Other terms and conditions of sale, including additions to or modifications of the terms set forth above, may be announced at the sale.

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Contact Information for the Bethel Inn: Barbara DiPacido, Tel. (207) 824-2175.

Attorney for the Bethel Inn Corporation: Michael T. Steven, Michael T. Steven & Associates, 111 Main St. Bethel, ME 04217 - Telephone (207) 824-2588

Signed:
Allen Connors
Vice President of the Bethel Inn Corporation

Obituaries



JANET A. RICHARDSON
Janet Alpers Richardson, 84, of Portland, died from complications related to Wegener's Disease Sept. 5, 2013 at the Gosnell Hospice House with her family by her side. Born in New York City, she was the daughter of Ernest and Margaret Bracken Alpers. She graduated from Westfield (N.J.) High School in 1946; Smith College, Northampton, Mass. in 1950, spending her junior year in Mexico and received her Master's in Education from the University of Southern Maine in 1979. Janet began her teaching career as a Spanish teacher at Gould Academy in 1950; the same year she married her husband Vance Richardson who was also a teacher at Gould. She left teaching in 1953 to raise her children. In 1967 Janet went back to teaching Spanish at Waynflete School. She was also a private tutor. She retired in 1984. Janet's love for travel started as a child. She traveled with her mother extensively. On many occasions she traveled to Mexico, including a trip to Oaxaca this year. She traveled with OLLI, Elderhostel and enjoyed

traveling with friends and family. A lifelong tennis player, she played competitively as a junior in New Jersey. She also played competitively as well as socially in Maine. She was active in TIME and MTA events. Hers was one of the founding families of Sunday River; it was there and earlier at the "Gould Hill" that she learned to ski and later became a ski instructor. An avid reader, she belonged to local book clubs, enjoyed playing bridge, and read the New York Times daily. She also enjoyed spending time at the family camp on Howard Pond in Hanover. She was an active volunteer with the Alzheimer's Association, participated in Alumni events at Smith College, and was a museum docent at the Portland Museum of Art. She was also the local coordinator for an international exchange program with the Experiment in International Living. She helped high school, college students, and young professionals find local host families. Janet was predeceased by her husband Vance Richardson in 2004. She is survived by her daughters, Carol Rodgers and husband Jim, of Belchertown, Mass. and Marta Hunt and husband David of Seattle, Wash., and son Stephen Richardson of South Portland. She is also survived by grandchildren, Jonathan Rodgers and Elizabeth Rodgers both of Los Angeles, Calif., William Hunt of Deep Springs, Calif. and Lucia Hunt of Seattle, Wash.



H. RICHARD CRANDALL
H. Richard "Dick" Crandall passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday Sept. 4, 2013, surrounded by his family. Dick was born in Presque Isle on April 2, 1941 to Horace M. and Katherine Jamieson Crandall. He graduated from Presque Isle High School and went on to receive a degree in accounting at Husson University. While in college, he met Carole Goode, of Bangor who would go on to become his beloved wife of 50 years. In addition to Carole, Dick is survived by three children and their spouses; Jeff R. Crandall and Anna Chytla of Charlottesville, Va., Kurt R. Crandall and Stephanie Cordier of Richmond, Va., and Susan R. Crandall and Thomas Joyce of Crozet, Va. Dick is also survived by five grandchildren who brought him tremendous joy; Thomas and Daniel Joyce, Spencer, Myles and Sonoma Crandall. Additional surviving family members include two brothers and their spouses, Robert C. and Barbie Crandall of Chelsea, Ala. and William R. and Patty Crandall of Easton; nephews and

niece; and brother-in-law Todd C. Goode and partner Michael Griffin of Yarmouth. Dick was predeceased by his parents Horace and Katherine Crandall. Growing up in Maine, Dick spent many hours on the potato farm in Aroostook County owned by his grandparents, Charles and Ann Jamieson. It is there that he developed a lifelong passion for gardening. In recent years, he proudly achieved his certification as a master gardener and honed his craft while tending to the gardens of his eldest son, Jeff. He pulled many weeds, harvested countless vegetables, and rode numerous hours on the tractor always with a broad smile across his face. A "foodie" long before it was trendy; Dick loved Carole's cooking and, in return, was always quick to volunteer for dish duty. He took his children and grandchildren on nature walks and shared with them his knowledge and love of wild animals, plants and bird species. Dick adored music, playing the trumpet and singing in the choir as a young man. Later on, many evenings and holidays were filled with Dick playing the piano with his beautiful tenor voice singing the classics for family and friends. He eventually acquired the role of "unofficial roadie" for his son Kurt's blues band. Dick was a staunch believer in serving the community in which you live, something he demonstrated at an early age while volunteering as a

Senate. Throughout the years as he, Carole and their children lived in Maine and New Hampshire, he continued his service through positions on town councils, school boards and parks and recreation committees. He enjoyed a 35-year career in the pulp and paper industry, during which he worked as a comptroller and manager of quality assurance. Upon retirement, he transitioned to the role of a quality consultant for various industries. It was during this time that Dick, Carole and Sophie, their Golden Retriever, traveled throughout the lower 48 states in their RV, seeing the country and making wonderful memories. Despite his accomplished career, Dick considered his greatest achievement the success of his children. He was tireless in his support of their educational pursuits and beamed with pride at every graduation ceremony, from kindergarten through graduate school. While he firmly embraced his New England roots, he and Carole relocated to Charlottesville, Va. in 2005 to be closer to their expanding family. Dick cherished his role as "Grampy" and quickly shifted out of retirement mode to attend scout meetings, sporting events, school plays and many cherished "Grandparents' Days." Dick and Carole joined the Ivy Creek United Methodist Church when they moved to Charlottesville and Dick became invested in his church "family" as a member

of the choir and as a church Trustee. Deeply devoted to his faith, Dick faced his diagnosis of pancreatic cancer with strength and courage, knowing that he was in God's hands. The extended church family showed tremendous love and support for Dick and his family throughout his battle with cancer. Dick's generosity of spirit was exhibited through his patience, warmth and caring for others. He was always quick to help those in need and could brighten a room with his smile, twinkling blue eyes and wonderful sense of humor. Dick leaves behind a legacy filled with precious memories, strong values and basic life lessons that his family is committed to carry forth for generations to come. He was quite simply "a good man" that will not be forgotten. A memorial service will be held Sept. 21, 2013 at 11 a.m. at the Ivy Creek United Methodist Church, 674 Woodlands Road, Charlottesville, Va. with Pastor James Thornton officiating. Committal service will follow in the Ivy Creek Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Piedmont, Attn: Development Office, 675 Peter Jefferson Parkway - Suite 300, Charlottesville, Va. 22911, or to the Ivy Creek UMC Building Fund, 674 Woodlands Road, Charlottesville, Va. 22901. Friends may send condolences to the family at www.hillandwood.com

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- And last but not least, my Golden Girls and my Funky family for: the afternoon coffees, the baked goods, flowers, visits, and phone calls. You helped make a very difficult time a little easier.

Linda Smith

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